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8	UNITED STATES	DISTRICT COURT
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11	, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,	Case No.
12	All Others Similarly Situated,	CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE
13 14	Plaintiff,	FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS
15	V.	DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL
16	GIGACLOUD TECHNOLOGY INC, LARRY LEI WU, KWOK HEI DAVID	
17	LARRY LEI WU, KWOK HEI DAVID LAU, XIN WAN, FRANK LIN, XING HUANG, and AEGIS CAPITAL CORP.,	
18	Defendants.	
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("Plaintiff"), individually and on behalf of all others 1 Plaintiff 2 similarly situated, by and through his attorneys, alleges the following upon 3 information and belief, except as to those allegations concerning Plaintiff, which are alleged upon personal knowledge. Plaintiff's information and belief is based upon, 4 5 among other things, his counsel's investigation, which includes without limitation: 6 (a) review and analysis of regulatory filings made by GigaCloud Technology Inc ("GigaCloud" or the "Company") with the United States ("U.S.") Securities and 7 8 Exchange Commission ("SEC"); (b) review and analysis of press releases and media reports issued by and disseminated by GigaCloud; and (c) review of other publicly 9 10 available information concerning GigaCloud.

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NATURE OF THE ACTION AND OVERVIEW

This is a class action on behalf of persons and entities that purchased or 12 1. 13 otherwise acquired GigaCloud: (a) Class A ordinary shares pursuant and/or traceable to the registration statement and prospectus (collectively, the "Registration 14 15 Statement") issued in connection with the Company's August 2022 initial public 16 offering ("IPO" or the "Offering"); and/or (b) securities between August 18, 2022 17 and September 27, 2023, inclusive (the "Class Period"). Plaintiff pursues claims 18 under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") and the Securities Exchange 19 Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act").

20 2. GigaCloud is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, offers 21 an end-to-end ecommerce platform for global trade services of heavy and large products, primarily furniture. The Company's ecommerce platform, which it refers 22 23 to as the "GigaCloud Marketplace," integrates discovery, payments and logistics 24 tools to connect manufacturers, primarily in Asia, with resellers, primarily in the U.S., Asia and Europe, to execute cross-border transactions, then executes delivery 25 and sale through a network of warehouses up to and including last-mile delivery to 26 27 the customer.

3. On August 19, 2022, the Company filed its prospectus on Form 424B4
 with the SEC, which forms part of the Registration Statement. In the IPO, the
 Company sold 3,381,000 Class A ordinary shares at \$12.25 per share. The Company
 received net proceeds of approximately \$34.2 million from the IPO. The proceeds
 from the IPO were purportedly to be used for general corporate purposes, including
 working capital, operating expenses, and capital expenditures.

7 4. On September 28, 2023, before the market opened, Culper Research 8 published a report titled "GigaCloud Technology Inc (NASDAQ:GCT): If It's Too 9 Good To Be True..." (the "Report"), alleging "numerous glaring flaws" in 10 GigaCloud's public reporting. For example, the Report stated that while GigaCloud "claims to run 14 U.S. warehouses," the Company "discloses just 73 employees in 11 the entire U.S., implying just 5 employees per warehouse." The Report also alleged 12 13 that "GigaCloud's marketing materials utilize photoshopped stock photos to portray itself as a highly efficient, growing operation," but that Culper Research's 14 investigators visited some of the Company's warehouses and discovered little 15 activity. Further, the Report alleges that Culper Research uncovered "numerous 16 17 entities which are neither named subsidiaries nor disclosed as GCT related parties" 18 whose conduct at the very least "suggests undisclosed related party issues."

19 5. On this news, the Company's share price fell \$1.78, or 18%, to close at
20 \$7.69 per share on September 28, 2023, on unusually heavy trading volume.

- 21 6. By the commencement of this action, GigaCloud's shares have closed
 22 as low as \$4.27 per share, a 65% decline from the \$12.25 per share IPO price.
- 7. In the Registration Statement and throughout the Class Period,
 Defendants made materially false and/or misleading statements, as well as failed to
 disclose material adverse facts about the Company's business, operations, and
 prospects. Specifically, Defendants failed to disclose to investors: (1) that the
 Company's business is a fraction of what it publicly claims, as evidenced by staffing
 and activity levels at its warehouses; (2) that the Company overstated its last-mile

operations; (3) that the Company engaged in undisclosed related party transactions;
(4) that, as a result, the Company's financial results were overstated; (5) that, as a
result of the foregoing, Defendants' positive statements about the Company's
business, operations, and prospects were materially misleading and/or lacked a
reasonable basis.

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8. As a result of Defendants' wrongful acts and omissions, and the
precipitous decline in the market value of the Company's securities, Plaintiff and
other Class members have suffered significant losses and damages.

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JURISDICTION AND VENUE

9. The claims asserted herein arise under and pursuant to Sections 11 and
15 of the Securities Act (15 U.S.C. §§ 77k and 77o), Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the
Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. §§ 78j(b) and 78t(a)) and Rule 10b-5 promulgated
thereunder by the SEC (17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5).

14 10. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action
15 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, Section 22 of the Securities Act (15 U.S.C. § 77v) and
16 Section 27 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 78aa).

17 11. Venue is proper in this Judicial District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §
18 1391(b) and Section 27 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 78aa(c)). Substantial acts
19 in furtherance of the alleged fraud or the effects of the fraud have occurred in this
20 Judicial District. Many of the acts charged herein, including the dissemination of
21 materially false and/or misleading information, occurred in substantial part in this
22 Judicial District. In addition, the Company's principal executive offices are in this
23 District.

12. In connection with the acts, transactions, and conduct alleged herein,
Defendants directly and indirectly used the means and instrumentalities of interstate
commerce, including the United States mail, interstate telephone communications,
and the facilities of a national securities exchange.

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2 13. Plaintiff , as set forth in the accompanying certification, 3 incorporated by reference herein, purchased or otherwise acquired GigaCloud Class A ordinary shares pursuant and/or traceable to the Registration Statement 4 issued in connection with the Company's IPO and/or GigaCloud securities 5 during the Class Period, and suffered damages as a result of the federal securities 6 7 law violations and false and/or misleading statements and/or material omissions alleged herein. 8

9 14. Defendant GigaCloud is a Hong Kong based company, incorporated
10 under the laws of the Cayman Islands, with its principal executive offices located in
11 Walnut, California. GigaCloud's Class A ordinary shares trade on the NASDAQ
12 ("NASDAQ") under the symbol "GCT."

13 15. Defendant Larry Lei Wu ("Wu") was, at all relevant times, the Chief
14 Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the
15 Company, and signed or authorized the signing of the Company's Registration
16 Statement filed with the SEC.

17 16. Defendant Kwok Hei David Lau ("Lau") was, at all relevant times, the
18 Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of the Company and signed or authorized the
19 signing of the Company's Registration Statement filed with the SEC.

Defendants Wu and Lau (collectively, the "Individual Defendants"), 20 17. 21 because of their positions with the Company, possessed the power and authority to control the contents of the Company's reports to the SEC, press releases and 22 23 presentations to securities analysts, money and portfolio managers and institutional 24 investors, i.e., the market. The Individual Defendants were provided with copies of the Company's reports and press releases alleged herein to be misleading prior to, or 25 shortly after, their issuance and had the ability and opportunity to prevent their 26 27 issuance or cause them to be corrected. Because of their positions and access to 28 material non-public information available to them, the Individual Defendants knew

that the adverse facts specified herein had not been disclosed to, and were being
 concealed from, the public, and that the positive representations which were being
 made were then materially false and/or misleading. The Individual Defendants are
 liable for the false statements pleaded herein.

5 18. Defendant Xin Wan ("Wan") was, at all relevant times, Chief
6 Technology Officer ("CTO") of the Company and signed or authorized the signing
7 of the Company's Registration Statement filed with the SEC. Defendant Wan also
8 served as the Company's Executive Director from November 2020 until August 16,
9 2023.

10 19. Defendant Frank Lin ("Lin") was the Director of the Company and
11 signed or authorized the signing of the Company's Registration Statement filed with
12 the SEC.

13 20. Defendant Xing Huang ("Huang") was the Director of the Company
14 and signed or authorized the signing of the Company's Registration Statement filed
15 with the SEC.

16 21. Defendants Wu, Lau, Wan, Lin, and Huang are collectively referred to
17 hereinafter as the "Securities Act Individual Defendants."

18 22. Defendant Aegis Capital Corp. ("Aegis Capital" or "Underwriter
19 Defendant") served as an underwriter for the Company's IPO. In the IPO,
20 Aegis Capital Corp agreed to purchase 2,940,000 shares of the Company's ordinary
21 shares, exclusive of the over-allotment option.

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SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS

Background

24 23. GigaCloud is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, offers
25 an end-to-end ecommerce platform for global trade services of heavy and large
26 products, primarily furniture. The Company's ecommerce platform, which it refers
27 to as the "GigaCloud Marketplace," integrates discovery, payments and logistics
28 tools to connect manufacturers, primarily in Asia, with resellers, primarily in the

U.S., Asia and Europe, to execute cross-border transactions, then executes delivery
 and sale through a network of warehouses up to and including last-mile delivery to
 the customer.

The Company's False and/or Misleading Registration Statement and Prospectus

6 24. On July 8, 2022, the Company filed a Form F-1 with the SEC which
7 forms part of the Registration Statement. On August 1, 2022, the Company filed a
8 F-1/A, its final amendment to its F-1 Registration Statement. The Company's
9 Registration Statement was declared effective on August 17, 2022.

25. On August 19, 2022, the Company filed its prospectus on Form 424B
with the SEC, which forms part of the Registration Statement. In the IPO, the
Company sold 3,381,000 Class A ordinary shares at a price of \$12.25 per share. The
Company received net proceeds of approximately \$34.2 million from their IPO. The
proceeds from the IPO were purportedly to be used for general corporate purposes,
including working capital, operating expenses, and capital expenditures.

16 26. The Registration Statement was negligently prepared and, as a result,
17 contained untrue statements of material facts or omitted to state other facts
18 necessary to make the statements made not misleading, and was not prepared in
19 accordance with the rules and regulations governing its preparation.

20 27. Under applicable SEC rules and regulations, the Registration Statement
21 was required to disclose known trends, events or uncertainties that were having, and
22 were reasonably likely to have, an impact on the Company's continuing operations.

23 28. Specifically, the Registration Statement stated that the Company had
24 "21 warehouses in the U.S., Japan, the U.K. and Germany, totaling over four million
25 square feet" including "three key operating centers in California, Georgia and New
26 Jersey." The Registration Statement asserts the Company has "*the capability to*

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1	reach over 90% of customers in the lower 48 states in the U.S. within an average
2	of three days of delivery time." ¹
3	29. The Registration Statement describes these facilities as well staffed:
4	We believe that <i>our facilities are sufficient to meet our current needs</i> .
5	We intend to add new facilities or to expand our existing facilities as we add employees and expand our operations. We believe that
6	additional space that is suitable for our needs will be available as needed to accommodate any such expansion of our operations.
7	30. The Registration Statement asserts that, despite the Covid-19
8	pandemic, they have seen increased revenue and order activities such that "to serve
9	the increased orders, we have hired and are continuing to hire additional
10	warehouse staff and sales and marketing staff."
11	31. The Registration Statement sets out that "[w]e expect to continue to
12	procure inventories and invest in additional warehouses and logistics
13	infrastructure to further expand our business" and describes how their business
14	model is "[u]nderpinned by a network of strategically-placed warehouses and
15	supply chain capabilities[.]"
16	32. The Registration Statement describes how the close connection
17	between their warehousing and revenue:
18	We operate warehouses in four countries across North America, Europe
19	and Asia, with the U.S. being our largest market. <i>Our international activities are significant to our revenues and profits</i> , and we plan to further expand internationally.
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21	33. The Registration Statement further states that GigaCloud revenue is
22	primarily derived from "product sales and services."
23	Our revenues, which consisted of service revenue generated from GigaCloud 3P and <i>product revenue generated from GigaCloud 1P</i> and off-platform ecommerce sales, increased by 19.0% from \$94.5 million
24	in the three months ended March 31, 2021 to \$112.4 million in the three months ended March 31, 2022. This increase was primarily due to
25	continued increase in market demand for large parcel merchandise, leading to increased number of sellers who listed merchandise and
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numbers of buyers who procured large parcel merchandise in our 1 GigaCloud Marketplace. 2 34. Specifically, GigaCloud's "1P" revenue is derived from direct product 3 sales when "we [the Company] sell our merchandise to our customers, who are the 4 buyers of the GigaCloud Marketplace." 5 The Registration Statement sets this out more fully, asserting that the 35. 6 Company from 2019-2021 and the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2022: 7 • We generated total revenues of \$122.3 million, \$275.5 million, \$414.2 million, \$94.5 million and \$112.4 million, respectively, representing 125.3% and 50.4% year-over-year growth in 2020 and 2021, respectively, and 19.0% period-over-period growth in the three 8 9 months ended March 31, 2022; 10 • We generated gross profit of \$22.2 million, \$75.1 million, \$89.6 million, \$20.9 million and \$16.9 million, respectively, representing 18.1%, 27.3%, 21.6%, 22.1% and 15.0% of total revenues, 11 respectively; 12 • Our net income was \$2.9 million, \$37.5 million (restated), \$29.3 million, \$8.0 million (restated) and \$4.7 million, respectively; and 13 14 • Our Adjusted EBITDA was \$4.9 million, \$45.5 million, \$48.0 million, \$10.0 million and \$6.9 million, respectively. 15 The Registration Statement asserts the Company maintains a 16 36. 17 competitive advantage because: We have artificial intelligence software, or AI, that generates seller 18 ratings and credit profiles through volume data. Additionally, our AI *optimizes routing* by organizing incoming orders and rebalancing inventory levels within our warehousing network. Our software platform includes flexible trading tools with which sellers can set prices 19 20 based on quantities, delivery dates and fulfillment methods, and buyers have the option to purchase merchandise individually or in bulk. 21 22 Finally, the Registration Statement sets out the Company's "Code of 37. Ethics and Corporate Governance" which states, "our board of directors has adopted 23 24 a set of corporate governance guidelines covering a variety of matters, including 25 approval of related party transactions." The Registration Statement goes on to detail 26 the "Corporate Structure" thusly: As of the date of this prospectus, we conduct our business operations 27 across 13 subsidiaries and seven consolidated VIEs, among those, eight of which are our principal subsidiaries and four of which are our 28

1	principal consolidated VIEs. We also have two equity incentive trusts which are treated as consolidated VIEs under U.S. GAAP.
2 3	38. The Registration Statement was materially false and misleading and
	omitted to state: (1) that the Company's business is a fraction of what it publicly
4 5	claims, as evidenced by staffing and activity levels at its warehouses; (2) that the
	Company overstated its last-mile operations; (3) that the Company engaged in
6 7	undisclosed related party transactions; (4) that, as a result, the Company's financial
8	results were overstated; (5) that, as a result of the foregoing, Defendants' positive
0 9	statements about the Company's business, operations, and prospects were materially
-	misleading and/or lacked a reasonable basis.
10	Materially False and Misleading
11	Statements Issued During the Class Period
12 13	39. The Class Period begins on August 18, 2022. On that day, GigaCloud's
13 14	ordinary shares began publicly trading pursuant to the Registration Statement,
14 15	including the statements identified in ¶¶ 28-37.
15 16	40. On September 30, 2022, GigaCloud announced its unaudited financial
10	results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2022 in a press release
17	submitted to the SEC as part of a Form 6-K, Report of Foreign Issuer ("2Q22
18 19	Financial Results"). The 2Q22 Financial Results stated in relevant part:
	Second Quarter 2022 Financial Highlights
20 21	• Total revenues were \$124.0 million in the second quarter of 2022, an increase of 11.0% from \$111.8 million in the second quarter of
21	2021.
22	• Net income was \$6.1 million in the second quarter of 2022, compared to \$13.6 million in the second quarter of 2021.
24	• Adjusted EBITDA1 was \$7.8 million in the second quarter of 2022, compared to \$16.6 million in the second quarter of 2021
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26	Operational Highlights
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1	• GigaCloud Marketplace GMV was \$458.8 million in the 12 months ended June 30, 2022, an increase of 43.8% from \$319.2 million in the
2	12 months ended June 30, 2021.
3	• Active 3P sellers were 452 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2022, an increase of 67.4% from 270 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2021.
4 5	• Active buyers were 4,061 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2022, an increase of 58.9% from 2,555 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2021.
6 7	• Spend per active buyer was \$112,987 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2022, a decrease of 9.5% from \$124,915 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2021.
8 9	• 3P seller GigaCloud Marketplace GMV was \$196.7 million in the 12 months ended June 30, 2022, an increase of 71.1% from \$114.9 million in the 12 months ended June 30, 2021
10	Second Quarter 2022 Financial Results
11	Revenues
12	Total revenues were \$124.0 million in the second quarter of 2022, increased by 11.0% from \$111.8 million in the second quarter of
13	2021. The increase was primarily due to an increase in service revenue
14	from GigaCloud 3P and product revenue from GigaCloud 1P, partially offset by the decrease in product revenue from off-platform
15	ecommerce.
16	• Service revenue from GigaCloud 3P was \$32.8 million in the second quarter of 2022, increased by 39.4% from \$23.6 million in the second quarter of 2021. The increase was primarily due to an increase in
17 18	revenues from last-mile delivery fees and fulfillment fees for other freight services such as delivery of products via ocean transportation.
	• Product revenue from GigaCloud 1P was \$60.7 million in the
19 20	second quarter of 2022, increased by 15.4% from \$52.6 million in the second quarter of 2021. The increase was primarily due to an increase in number of active buyers and better selection of products catering to buyers' preference.
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22	• Product revenue from off-platform ecommerce was \$30.5 million in the second quarter of 2022, decreased by 14.4% from \$35.6 million in the second quarter of 2021. The decrease was primarily due to an
23	the second quarter of 2021. The decrease was primarily due to an overall decrease in sales on certain third-party off-platform ecommerce
24	as consumer demand slowed down on such third-party off-platform ecommerce.
25	41. On November 30, 2022, GigaCloud announced its unaudited financial
26	results for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2022 in a press release
27	submitted to the SEC as part of a Form 6-K, Report of Foreign Issuer ("3Q22
28	Financial Results"). The 3Q22 Financial Results stated in relevant part:
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1 2	We leverage our technology and ecommerce platform to reach continuing growth in our revenue, GMV and positive operating cash flows. Our revenue grew by approximately 23% in the third quarter of 2022, compared to the third quarter of 2021. During the third quarter of
3	2022, compared to the third quarter of 2021. During the third quarter of 2022, our GigaCloud 3P GMV continued to increase as a percentage of
	total GigaCloud Marketplace GMV, demonstrating an increased economies of scale and user base achieved through our current
4 5	<i>marketplace model.</i> Coupled with our successful IPO and improvement in operating cash flows in the third quarter, our liquidity
6	and capital resources also saw an increase, providing sufficient capital for us to pursue our business objectives. Going forward, we will
7	continue to leverage our data driven solutions, technological capability and resources to expand and optimize our marketplace, gain market share and better serve our global customers with a stable and efficient
8	B2B ecommerce platform.
9	42. The 3Q22 Financial Results continued:
10	Active buyers were 4,198 in the 12 months ended September 30, 2022, an increase of 36.2% from 3,082 in the 12 months ended September 30,
11	2021.
12	* * *
13	Total revenues were \$128.0 million in the third quarter of 2022, an increase of 22.4% from \$102.7 million in the third quarter of 2021
14	increase of 23.4% from \$103.7 million in the third quarter of 2021. The increase was primarily due to an increase in service revenue from GizzCloud 2B and product provide from GizzCloud 1B
15	<i>from GigaCloud 3P and product revenue from GigaCloud 1P</i> , partially offset by the decrease in product revenue from off-platform ecommerce.
16	* * *
17	Product revenue from GigaCloud 1P was \$58.2 million in the third
18 19	quarter of 2022, increased by 30.5% from \$44.6 million in the third quarter of 2021. The increase was primarily due to an increase in number of active buyers and better selection of products catering to buyers' preference.
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21	43. On March 17, 2023, GigaCloud announced its unaudited financial
22	results for the quarter and fiscal year ended December 31, 2022 in a press release
23	submitted to the SEC as part of a Form 6-K, Report of Foreign Issuer ("4Q22
24	Financial Results"). The 4Q22 Financial Results stated in relevant part:
25	Total revenues were \$125.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2022, an increase of 20.5% from \$104.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2021. Total revenues were \$490.1 million for the full year of 2022, an
26	increase of 18.3% from \$414.2 million for the full year of 2021.
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Net income was \$12.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2022, an 1 increase of 34.2% from \$9.3 million in the fourth guarter of 2021. Net 2 **income** was \$24.0 million for the full year of 2022, a decrease of 18.1% from \$29.3 million for the full year of 2021. 3 4 Active buyers were 4,156 in the 12 months ended December 31, 2022, 5 an increase of 16.5% from 3,566 in the 12 months ended December 31, 2021. 6 44. The 4Q22 Financial Results continued: 7 Total revenues were \$125.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2022, increased by 20.5% from \$104.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2021. 8 The increase was primarily due to an increase in service revenue from 9 GigaCloud 3P and product revenue from both GigaCloud 1P and offplatform ecommerce. 10 • Service revenue from GigaCloud 3P was \$36.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2022, increased by 35.7% from \$26.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2021. The increase was primarily due to provision of third-11 party logistics services to certain existing and new customers. 12 13 45. On April 24, 2023, GigaCloud submitted its Annual report on Form 20-14 F ("2023 20-F"). The 2023 20-F stated in relevant part: 15 In 2020, 2021 and 2022, we continued to increase the use of selfowned and operated, cost-efficient high capacity trucks to replace some, but not all, of our third-party outsourced trucks to further 16 enhance transportation efficiency. 17 46. The 2023 20-F continued to describe the Company's revenue: 18 To enhance our marketplace experience, we sell our own inventory, or 1P, through the GigaCloud Marketplace and to and through third-party 19 ecommerce websites, such as Rakuten in Japan, Amazon and Walmart in the U.S. and Wayfair in the U.K. These IP revenues expand our 20 market presence, reduce inventory and logistics risk for sellers, create more products for buyers, drive volume-based cost efficiencies for 21 sourcing products, provide us with proprietary data and increase the velocity of sales on our marketplace. 1P revenues through the GigaCloud Marketplace and to and through third-party ecommerce websites represented 78.2%, 76.3% and 71.3% of total revenues in 22 23 2020, 2021 and 2022, respectively. As our GigaCloud Marketplace 24 continues to grow, we expect 1P revenues as a percentage of total revenues to decline over time. 25 26 We leverage our proprietary data and AI to accelerate the network effects in our marketplace. As our marketplace grows, we accumulate 27 user and product data to develop analytical and predicative tools such 28 CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT 12

1 2	as product sales forecasts. This information is valuable to our sellers as it allows them to efficiently manage inventory and pricing.
23	47. The 2023 20-F also sets out "Major Shareholders and Related Party
3 4	Transactions" as well as "Board Practices" on the issue of related party transactions,
4	which include that "if such contract or arrangement is a transaction with a related
5 6	party, such transaction has been approved by the audit committee." The 2023 20-F
0 7	goes on to describe the Company's Corporate Structure thusly:
 7 8 9 10 11 	GigaCloud Technology Inc is a holding company incorporated in the Cayman Islands that does not have substantive operations and is not a direct Chinese or Hong Kong operating company. As of the date of this annual report, we conduct our business operations across 14 subsidiaries and four consolidated VIEs, among those, nine of which are our principal subsidiaries and three of which are our principal consolidated VIEs. We also have two equity incentive trusts which are treated as consolidated VIEs under U.S. GAAP.
12	48. On May 24, 2023, GigaCloud announced its unaudited financial results
13	for the quarter ended March 31, 2023 in a press release submitted to the SEC as part
14	of a Form 6-K, Report of Foreign Issuer ("1Q23 Financial Results"). The 1Q23
15	Financial Results described the quarter as providing "record breaking financial and
16	operation results through our relentless focus on execution." The 1Q23 Financial
17	Results reported:
18 19	•Total revenues were \$127.8 million in the first quarter of 2023, an increase of 13.7% from \$112.4 million in the first quarter of 2022.
20 21	•Gross profit was \$29.6 million in the first quarter of 2023, an increase of 75.3% from \$16.9 million in the first quarter of 2022. Gross margin increased to 23.1% in the first quarter of 2023, compared to 15.0% in the first quarter of 2022.
22	• Net income was \$15.9 million in the first quarter of 2023, an increase of 236.4% from \$4.7 million in the first quarter of 2022.
23	49. The 1Q23 Financial Results represents that the Company had 4,255
24	"Active buyers" in the 12 months ended March 31, 2023, "an increase of 12.5%
25 26	from 3,782 in the 12 months ended March 31, 2022". The 1Q23 Financial Results
26 27	represents
27 28	Product revenue from GigaCloud 1P was \$61.4 million in the first quarter of 2023, increased by 13.2% from \$54.3 million in the first
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1 2	quarter of 2022. The increase was primarily due to an increase in spend per active buyer.
2	50. On August 15, 2023, GigaCloud announced its unaudited financial
3 4	results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2023 in a press release
4 5	submitted to the SEC as part of a Form 6-K, Report of Foreign Issuer ("2Q23
	Financial Results"). The 2Q23 states
6 7	• Total revenues were \$153.1 million in the second quarter of 2023, an increase of 23.5% from \$124.0 million in the second quarter of 2022.
8	• Gross profit was \$40.4 million in the second quarter of 2023, an
9	increase of 137.1% from \$17.0 million in the second quarter of 2022. Gross margin increased to 26.4% in the second quarter of 2023 from 13.7% in the second quarter of 2022.
10	•Net income was \$18.4 million in the second quarter of 2023, an
11	increase of 201.5% from \$6.1 million in the second quarter of 2022.
12	Active buyers were 4,351 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2023, an increase of 7.1% from 4,061 in the 12 months ended June 30, 2022.
13	51. The 2Q23 Financial Results quotes Larry Wu, Founder, Chairman of
14	the Board of Director, and Chief Executive Officer of GigaCloud, who commented,
15	"We are thrilled with our results for the first half of 2023, especially our tremendous
16 17	period-over-period net income growth of over 200% and another consecutive
17	quarter of generating record profitability."
18 10	52. The 2Q23 Financial Results goes on to state:
19 20	Total revenues were \$153.1 million in the second quarter of 2023, increased by 23.5% from \$124.0 million in the second quarter of 2022.
20 21	The increase was primarily due to an increase in market demand for large parcel merchandise, leading to increases in our GigaCloud
21	Marketplace GMV, sales volume and number of sellers and buyers.
22	Service revenue from GigaCloud 3P was \$43.3 million in the second quarter of 2023, increased by 31.9% from \$32.8 million in the second
23 24	quarter of 2022. The increase was primarily due to an increase in revenue from last-mile delivery services by 69.2% from \$13.5 million
2 4 25	in the second quarter of 2022 to \$22.9 million in the second quarter of 2023 and an increase in revenue from warehouse services by
23 26	62.1% from \$3.3 million in the second quarter of 2022 to \$5.3 million in the second quarter of 2023. These increases were partially offset by
20 27	a decrease in revenue from ocean transportation services by 61.8% from \$10.2 million in the second quarter of 2022 to \$3.9 million in the
27	second quarter of 2023, primarily due to the decrease in ocean freight costs which drove down our prices.
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53. The above statements identified in \P 39-52 were materially false 1 2 and/or misleading and failed to disclose material adverse facts about the Company's 3 business, operations, and prospects. Specifically, Defendants failed to disclose to investors: (1) that the Company's business is a fraction of what it publicly claims, as 4 5 evidenced by staffing and activity levels at its warehouses; (2) that the Company overstated its last-mile operations; (3) that the Company engaged in undisclosed 6 7 related party transactions; (4) that, as a result, the Company's financial results were 8 overstated; (5) that, as a result of the foregoing, Defendants' positive statements 9 about the Company's business, operations, and prospects were materially 10 misleading and/or lacked a reasonable basis.

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Disclosures at the End of the Class Period

54. On September 28, 2023, before the market opened, Culper Research
published the Report alleging that "the Company's business is a fraction of what it
has claimed." Specifically, the Report identifies a number of indications that
GigaCloud is grossly overstating its total market of product sourcing, warehousing
and last-mile delivery.

17 55. Concluding that there is a high probability that GigaCloud is
18 overstating the effectiveness, staffing and revenue derived from its warehouses, the
19 Report stated:

GigaCloud claims to run 14 U.S. warehouses yet the Company discloses just 73 employees in the entire U.S., implying just 5 employees per warehouse. Simply put, we don't think it's at all possible to profitably run 14 warehouses with over 3.7 million square feet which supposedly distribute hundreds of millions of dollars of furniture with this few people. Comparable warehousing and fulfillment operations we reviewed typically hire hundreds if not thousands of employees at each warehouse. Sat side by side, GigaCloud's claims imply that the Company is 10x to 100x more efficient than both furniture distribution and e-commerce peers such as Amazon, Walmart, Wayfair, and Ashley Furniture.

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However, our September 2023 visits to the Company's actual warehouses revealed a much different picture: we staked out GigaCloud's 9 warehouses in its two main east coast (New Jersey)

1 2 3 4	and west coast (California) regions and saw laughably sparse activity. For example, at one warehouse in New Jersey, our investigator sat for 3 hours – during weekday business hours – and saw only a single GigaCloud delivery truck. At another location in California, our investigators did see a handful of overseas shipping containers being unloaded, but the unloaded cardboard boxes then sat strewn in the loading bay for hours without being sorted.
5	56. The Report compares GigaCloud's warehouse employment numbers to
6	other companies. "[I]ndustry sources suggest that a typical warehouse or fulfillment
7	center employs one employee for every 1,000-1,500 square feet of warehouse
8	space, or 1,000 employees for every million square feet of warehouse space"
9	Meanwhile, "[t]he Company's Form 20-F discloses just 88 employees in
10	operations worldwide, and just 73 in the U.S. across all departments." The Report
11	states:
12	GigaCloud baldly claims to operate 14 distribution centers in the U.S.
13	totaling over 3.7M million square feet using a maximum of just 73 employees. Similarly, we believe the Company's global operational staff of just 88 is wholly insufficient to operate 21 total warehouses
14	globally.
15	57. The Report describes investigating these warehouses and finding a
16	paucity of activity. As the Report describes:
17 18 19	As such, in September 2023, we sent investigators to each of GigaCloud's 9 warehouses concentrated in New Jersey (4 sites) and California (5 sites). Our investigators sat at each location for 3 hours during normal business hours over the course of several business days, and found that in contrast to GigaCloud's portrayal of its operations as large and growing, the locations held sparse activity.
20	58. The Report describes in detail each warehouse which was surveilled for
21 22	a number of hours over a period of days and weeks, such that "the activity levels we
22	witnessed were nowhere near commensurate with the Company's reported
23 24	financials."
24	59. Further, the Report alleged that GigaCloud's last-mile delivery
23 26	business, which GigaCloud reported to have grown to over \$80 million in LTM
20 27	revenue, is in fact a "meager operation" which "has just 5 vehicles registered with
27	the Department of Transportation ("DOT")".

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3				<i>IN 2021</i> .		
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5 6	third-party last-mile delivery operators, a former GCT executive told us that as of Q2 2022 (the last quarter they were at the Company), GCT used only its own trucks and drivers, stating, "Everything was					
7	their [GC]	T's] own employees on th	heir own truck	rs."	Ū.	
8	60. Th	e Report goes on to desc	ribe how, ever	n assuming	GCT's Last-	mile
9	claims are				accurate,	they
_	fall short of	Assuming GCT's Last-mile Cla	ims are Accurate.		the repo	orted
10	\$80 million in	Annual last-mile revenues (20	022)	\$62,745,000	rovonuo	
11	\$80 million in	Monthly last-mile revenues		\$5,228,750	revenue.	
		Estimated fees earned per de		\$150		
12		Implied deliveries per month		34,858		
13		Implied deliveries per day		1,162		
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1	of scale of its distribution network and the Company's promises to deliver anywhere
2	for a flat rate." As described in the Report:
3 4 5 6 7	Former employees we spoke with also portrayed GCT's last-mile operation as <i>incredibly inefficient</i> , despite the Company's claims to the contrary. For example, a shipment might arrive from China at a GigaCloud warehouse in California, but this order requires final delivery in Michigan, requiring a cross-country trip at GigaCloud's promised flat rate. One former employee opined, "they had to be losing money on average, they're losing to \$50 to \$100 per delivery."
	63. The Report further alleges that GigaCloud's "supposed artificial
8	intelligence technology" which President Iman Schrock stated managed to
9	"transform the entire supply chain" by "continuously optimiz[ing] economies of
10	scale" is likely highly exaggerated, if it exists at all. As the Report states:
11 12 13	GCT itself doesn't even disclose software development expenses or capitalized software costs in its financial statements, and we couldn't find a single GCT employee on LinkedIn or otherwise who claimed to have developed any AI for the Company.
13	64. The Report also alleges that investigations into GigaCloud uncovered a
15	pattern of potential "undisclosed related party issues."
 16 17 18 19 20 21 	We've also uncovered numerous entities which are <i>neither named</i> subsidiaries nor disclosed as GCT related parties, yet which name GCT insiders including CEO Lei (Larry) Wu, GCT's former CFO Joseph Huang, and GCT employee Kunming Xu on corporate documents. These entities appear to be engaged in the furniture trading business by way of their own separate Amazon and Walmart storefronts, their own furniture imports, and even their own warehouses. At the very least, we think the very existence of these entities suggests undisclosed related party issues, and in the worst case, might suggest more nefarious schemes.
21 22	65. The Report goes on to detail numerous entities which "appear to be tied
22 23	to GCT insiders" who engaged in a "variety of apparent related-party businesses"
23 24	never disclosed. These entities include Nixxon Digital Marketing, formed prior to
2 - 25	GigaCloud's entry into the United Stated, which lists "several GigaCloud insiders,
26	including long-time employee Kunming Xu and former CFO Joseph Huang."
20 27	Kunming in particular is shown to have held the position of president, secretary,
28	treasurer and director, simultaneously, from July 2013 until October 2018. During
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that same period, Defendant Huang acted as agent before being replaced with a
 generic "Registered Agents Inc."

66. The Report next describes how a similar company, Nisson Trading also
"previously listed GigaCloud employee Kunming Xu as agent" before replacing him
with the "generic officer, Registered Agents Inc," "adding an additional layer of
opacity to the entity."

7 67. The Report sets out how "Nixxon and Nisson have taken *hundreds of*8 *imports* from many of the very same Chinese suppliers that GCT's *disclosed*9 subsidiaries – Tmall and Comptree – have imported from" as shown in here:

10		Tmall	Comptree	Nisson	Nixxon
11		(subsidiary)	(subsidiary)	(undisclosed)	(undisclosed)
10	Jiaxing Hifine International Enterprise	363			454
12	Chuangyuan Smart Home Dongguan	118			115
13	Leatly Industrial Development	25			675
15	Yangzhou Kangle Machinery	61	156		309
14	Shandong Joysource Wood	119			177
15	Yichun Huaxiang Furniture	2			157
15	Idea Industrial International		149	67	
16	Shine Wood International		150	40	15
-	<u>Ningbo Zhenhai Liduoyi Trade</u>	17		28	85
17	Linyi Tongkaiju Import & Export	52		18	
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19	68. The Report goes fur	rther, stating:			
20	Our related party concerns span not only the import of furniture, but how furniture also appears to be being sold. To that end, Orien Life				
21	<i>how furniture also appears to be being sold</i> . To that end, Orien Life Corp was incorporated in Nevada in December 2016. The entity is not named anywhere in GCT filings, yet once again listed GigaCloud CEO Lei Wu as President and former GCT CFO Huang as Treasurer.				
22	Lei Wu as President and former GCT CFO Huang as Treasurer.				
23	69. As shown in the Report, Orien Life Corp "does appear to run several				
24	furniture-oriented ecommerce	storefronts,	including or	n Amazon a	and Walmart'
25	which presents additional issues		I		
26	We originally suspected the own IP storefronts, but see	hat Orien miget that GigaC	ght simply re loud's actua	epresent Giga I named subs	Cloud's sidiaries
27	do instead hold their own	storefronts. I	For example:	Tmall is a d	isclosed
28	We originally suspected the own IP storefronts, but see do instead hold their own GCT subsidiary and set storefront, while Oriental which sells through a set	Standard is parate Amaz	also a disclo on storefron	bsed GCT su t. <i>It's uncled</i>	bsidiary <i>Ir to us</i>
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why GigaCloud might require multiple Amazon storefronts of its own, 1 or even if such an arrangement might flaunt Amazon's selling 2 policies[.] 3 Orien also lists an address at 2657 Windmill Parkway, Suite 393, 4 Henderson, Nevada, which directs to a UPS dropbox / virtual address. 5 It's unclear to us why GigaCloud would need to operate through this address, were Orien to be a GCT subsidiary. Instead, this again suggests to us that it's an *undisclosed related party*. 6 7 70. The Report goes on to discuss even more suspected related parties, 8 including Orien Home Corp, which also directs to a virtual address at a UPS store, 9 and which listed GigaCloud's former CFO, Defendant Huang as president, treasurer, 10 and director before later replacing him with Shoujian Wang in November 2020. The 11 Report continues to list these suspected parties: Finally, both "Suki L INC" and "Kim Z INC" were incorporated in Colorado on the same day: March 26, 2021, and *each list Shoujian* Wang - who was also listed on Orien Home Corp's documents as of January 2021 - as representative. Suki LINC discloses an address in 12 13 Denver, which directs to a small 10,000 sqft warehouse. Similarly, Kim 14 Z INC lists a separate address in Commerce City, CO, which similarly leads back to a small industrial park. To our knowledge, GigaCloud has 15 not disclosed any warehouse presence in Colorado, ruling out the possibility that these two entities are in fact GCT's own undisclosed 16 subsidiaries. 17 18 Just as we saw for Nixxon and Nisson, beginning in April 2021, Kim Z began receiving shipments from China, and has since received 79 19 shipments, consisting of furniture, kitchen wares, and similar products. 20 21 Similarly, beginning in May 2021 through the present, Suki L has received 188 shipments from China, consisting largely of furniture such 22 as tables, lampshades, and drawers: 23 71. The Report summarizes their findings thusly: 24 [W]e have uncovered what appears to be several entities which list several different GigaCloud insiders and former insiders on their 25 documents. These entities have never been disclosed by GigaCloud as subsidiaries, nor have they been otherwise mentioned in GigaCloud's filings as related parties, business partners, or otherwise. Yet they 26 appear to be engaged in the very same business as GigaCloud, namely 27 the import and online sales of furniture. We think this pattern deserves 28 a full explanation by the Company. CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT 20

72. The Report concludes "GigaCloud exhibits multiple hallmarks of
 previous "China Hustle" stocks."

3 73. On this news, the Company's share price fell \$1.78, or more than 18%,
4 to close at \$7.69 per share on September 28, 2023, on unusually heavy trading
5 volume.

6 74. By the commencement of this action, GigaCloud's shares have closed
7 as low as \$4.27 per share, a 65% decline from the \$12.25 per share IPO price.

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CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

9 Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Federal Rule of 75. 10 Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(3) on behalf of a class, consisting of all persons and 11 entities that purchased or otherwise acquired GigaCloud: (a) Class A ordinary shares pursuant and/or traceable to the Company's false and/or misleading Registration 12 13 Statement issued in connection with the Company's IPO; and/or (b) securities between securities between August 18, 2022 and September 27, 2023, inclusive, and 14 who were damaged thereby (the "Class"). Excluded from the Class are Defendants, 15 the officers and directors of the Company, at all relevant times, members of their 16 17 immediate families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, and any entity in which Defendants have or had a controlling interest. 18

19 76. The members of the Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. While the exact number of Class members is unknown to Plaintiff 20 21 at this time and can only be ascertained through appropriate discovery, Plaintiff believes that there are at least hundreds or thousands of members in the proposed 22 23 Class. The Company sold 3,381,000 Class A ordinary shares in the IPO. Moreover, 24 record owners and other members of the Class may be identified from records maintained by GigaCloud or its transfer agent and may be notified of the pendency 25 of this action by mail, using the form of notice similar to that customarily used in 26 securities class actions. 27

77. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class
 as all members of the Class are similarly affected by Defendants' wrongful conduct
 in violation of federal law that is complained of herein.

4 78. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members
5 of the Class and has retained counsel competent and experienced in class and
6 securities litigation.

7 79. Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the Class
8 and predominate over any questions solely affecting individual members of the
9 Class. Among the questions of law and fact common to the Class are:

10 (a) whether the federal securities laws was violated by Defendants'
11 acts as alleged herein;

(b) whether the Registration Statement, statements made by
Defendants to the investing public in connection with the Company's IPO, and
statements made by Defendants to the investing public during the Class Period
omitted and/or misrepresented material facts about the business, operations, and
prospects of GigaCloud; and

17 (c) to what extent the members of the Class have sustained damages18 and the proper measure of damages.

80. A class action is superior to all other available methods for the fair and
efficient adjudication of this controversy since joinder of all members is
impracticable. Furthermore, as the damages suffered by individual Class members
may be relatively small, the expense and burden of individual litigation makes it
impossible for members of the Class to individually redress the wrongs done to
them. There will be no difficulty in the management of this action as a class action.

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UNDISCLOSED ADVERSE FACTS

81. The market for GigaCloud's securities was open, well-developed and
efficient at all relevant times. As a result of these materially false and/or misleading
statements, and/or failures to disclose, GigaCloud's securities traded at artificially

inflated prices during the Class Period. Plaintiff and other members of the Class
 purchased or otherwise acquired GigaCloud's securities relying upon the integrity of
 the market price of the Company's securities and market information relating to
 GigaCloud, and have been damaged thereby.

5 82. During the Class Period, Defendants materially misled the investing 6 public, thereby inflating the price of GigaCloud's securities, by publicly issuing 7 false and/or misleading statements and/or omitting to disclose material facts 8 necessary to make Defendants' statements, as set forth herein, not false and/or 9 misleading. The statements and omissions were materially false and/or misleading 10 because they failed to disclose material adverse information and/or misrepresented 11 the truth about GigaCloud's business, operations, and prospects as alleged herein.

12 83. At all relevant times, the material misrepresentations and omissions 13 particularized in this Complaint directly or proximately caused or were a substantial 14 contributing cause of the damages sustained by Plaintiff and other members of the 15 Class. As described herein, during the Class Period, Defendants made or caused to be made a series of materially false and/or misleading statements about GigaCloud's 16 financial well-being and prospects. These material misstatements and/or omissions 17 18 had the cause and effect of creating in the market an unrealistically positive assessment of the Company and its financial well-being and prospects, thus causing 19 the Company's securities to be overvalued and artificially inflated at all relevant 2021 times. Defendants' materially false and/or misleading statements during the Class Period resulted in Plaintiff and other members of the Class purchasing the 22 23 Company's securities at artificially inflated prices, thus causing the damages complained of herein when the truth was revealed. 24

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LOSS CAUSATION

26 84. Defendants' wrongful conduct, as alleged herein, directly and
27 proximately caused the economic loss suffered by Plaintiff and the Class.

85. During the Class Period, Plaintiff and the Class purchased GigaCloud's
 securities at artificially inflated prices and were damaged thereby. The price of the
 Company's securities significantly declined when the misrepresentations made to
 the market, and/or the information alleged herein to have been concealed from the
 market, and/or the effects thereof, were revealed, causing investors' losses.

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SCIENTER ALLEGATIONS

7 86. As alleged herein, Defendants acted with scienter since Defendants 8 knew that the public documents and statements issued or disseminated in the name of the Company were materially false and/or misleading; knew that such statements 9 10 or documents would be issued or disseminated to the investing public; and knowingly and substantially participated or acquiesced in the issuance or 11 dissemination of such statements or documents as primary violations of the federal 12 13 securities laws. As set forth elsewhere herein in detail, the Individual Defendants, by virtue of their receipt of information reflecting the true facts regarding 14 GigaCloud, their control over, and/or receipt and/or modification of GigaCloud's 15 allegedly materially misleading misstatements and/or their associations with the 16 Company which made them privy to confidential proprietary information 17 concerning GigaCloud, participated in the fraudulent scheme alleged herein. 18

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APPLICABILITY OF PRESUMPTION OF RELIANCE

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(FRAUD-ON-THE-MARKET DOCTRINE)

87. The market for GigaCloud's securities was open, well-developed and
efficient at all relevant times. As a result of the materially false and/or misleading
statements and/or failures to disclose, GigaCloud's securities traded at artificially
inflated prices during the Class Period. On August 19, 2022, the Company's share
price closed at a Class Period high of \$48.01 per share.

26 88. Plaintiff and other members of the Class purchased or otherwise27 acquired the Company's securities relying upon the integrity of the market price of

GigaCloud's securities and market information relating to GigaCloud, and have 1 2 been damaged thereby.

3 89. During the Class Period, the artificial inflation of GigaCloud's shares 4 was caused by the material misrepresentations and/or omissions particularized in 5 this Complaint causing the damages sustained by Plaintiff and other members of the Class. As described herein, during the Class Period, Defendants made or caused to 6 7 be made a series of materially false and/or misleading statements about GigaCloud's 8 business, prospects, and operations. These material misstatements and/or omissions created an unrealistically positive assessment of GigaCloud and its business, 9 10 operations, and prospects, thus causing the price of the Company's securities to be 11 artificially inflated at all relevant times, and when disclosed, negatively affected the value of the Company shares. Defendants' materially false and/or misleading 12 13 statements during the Class Period resulted in Plaintiff and other members of the Class purchasing the Company's securities at such artificially inflated prices, and 14 15 each of them has been damaged as a result.

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90. At all relevant times, the market for GigaCloud's securities was an efficient market for the following reasons, among others: 17

18 (a) GigaCloud shares met the requirements for listing, and was listed and actively traded on the NASDAQ, a highly efficient and automated market; 19

20 As a regulated issuer, GigaCloud filed periodic public reports (b)with the SEC and/or the NASDAQ; 21

22 GigaCloud regularly communicated with public investors via (c)23 established market communication mechanisms, including through regular 24 dissemination of press releases on the national circuits of major newswire services and through other wide-ranging public disclosures, such as communications with the 25 financial press and other similar reporting services; and/or 26

27 GigaCloud was followed by securities analysts employed by (d) 28 brokerage firms who wrote reports about the Company, and these reports were

distributed to the sales force and certain customers of their respective brokerage
 firms. Each of these reports was publicly available and entered the public
 marketplace.

4 91. As a result of the foregoing, the market for GigaCloud's securities
5 promptly digested current information regarding GigaCloud from all publicly
6 available sources and reflected such information in GigaCloud's share price. Under
7 these circumstances, all purchasers of GigaCloud's securities during the Class
8 Period suffered similar injury through their purchase of GigaCloud's securities at
9 artificially inflated prices and a presumption of reliance applies.

10 92. A Class-wide presumption of reliance is also appropriate in this action under the Supreme Court's holding in Affiliated Ute Citizens of Utah v. United 11 States, 406 U.S. 128 (1972), because the Class's claims are, in large part, grounded 12 13 on Defendants' material misstatements and/or omissions. Because this action involves Defendants' failure to disclose material adverse information regarding the 14 15 Company's business operations and financial prospects—information that Defendants were obligated to disclose-positive proof of reliance is not a 16 prerequisite to recovery. All that is necessary is that the facts withheld be material 17 18 in the sense that a reasonable investor might have considered them important in making investment decisions. Given the importance of the Class Period material 19 misstatements and omissions set forth above, that requirement is satisfied here. 20

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<u>NO SAFE HARBOR</u>

93. The statutory safe harbor provided for forward-looking statements under certain circumstances does not apply to any of the allegedly false statements pleaded in this Complaint. The statements alleged to be false and misleading herein all relate to then-existing facts and conditions. In addition, to the extent certain of the statements alleged to be false may be characterized as forward looking, they were not identified as "forward-looking statements" when made and there were no meaningful cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause

actual results to differ materially from those in the purportedly forward-looking 1 2 statements. In the alternative, to the extent that the statutory safe harbor is 3 determined to apply to any forward-looking statements pleaded herein, Defendants are liable for those false forward-looking statements because at the time each of 4 5 those forward-looking statements was made, the speaker had actual knowledge that the forward-looking statement was materially false or misleading, and/or the 6 7 forward-looking statement was authorized or approved by an executive officer of 8 GigaCloud who knew that the statement was false when made. 9 FIRST CLAIM Violation of Section 11 of the Securities Act 10 (Against All Defendants) 11 Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained 12 94. 13 above as if fully set forth herein. 95. 14 This Count is brought pursuant to Section 11 of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77k, on behalf of the Class, against the Defendants. 15 16 96. The Registration Statement for the IPO was inaccurate and misleading, contained untrue statements of material facts, omitted to state other facts necessary 17 18 to make the statements made not misleading, and omitted to state material facts 19 required to be stated therein.

20 97. GigaCloud is the registrant for the IPO. The Defendants named herein
21 were responsible for the contents and dissemination of the Registration Statement.

22 98. As issuer of the shares, GigaCloud is strictly liable to Plaintiff and the23 Class for the misstatements and omissions.

99. None of the Defendants named herein made a reasonable investigation
or possessed reasonable grounds for the belief that the statements contained in the
Registration Statement was true and without omissions of any material facts and
were not misleading.

1	100. By reasons of the conduct herein alleged, each Defendant violated,
2	and/or controlled a person who violated Section 11 of the Securities Act.
3	101. Plaintiff acquired GigaCloud shares pursuant and/or traceable to the
4	Registration Statement for the IPO.
5	102. Plaintiff and the Class have sustained damages. The value of
6	GigaCloud Class A ordinary shares has declined substantially subsequent to and due
7	to the Defendants' violations.
8	SECOND CLAIM
9	Violation of Section 15 of the Securities Act
10	(Against the Securities Act Individual Defendants)
11	103. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained
12	above as if fully set forth herein.
13	104. This count is asserted against the Individual Defendants and is based
14	upon Section 15 of the Securities Act.
15	105. The Individual Defendants, by virtue of their offices, directorship, and
16	specific acts were, at the time of the wrongs alleged herein and as set forth herein,
17	controlling persons of GigaCloud within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities
18	Act. The Individual Defendants had the power and influence and exercised the
19	same to cause GigaCloud to engage in the acts described herein.
20	106. The Individual Defendants' positions made them privy to and provided
21	them with actual knowledge of the material facts concealed from Plaintiff and the
22	Class.
23	107. By virtue of the conduct alleged herein, the Individual Defendants are
24	liable for the aforesaid wrongful conduct and are liable to Plaintiff and the Class for
25	damages suffered.
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	CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT
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Rule 10b-5 Promulgated Thereunder Against GigaCloud and the Individual Defendants 108. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained above as if fully set forth herein. 6

THIRD CLAIM

Violation of Section 10(b) of The Exchange Act and

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109. During the Class Period, Defendants carried out a plan, scheme and 7 8 course of conduct which was intended to and, throughout the Class Period, did: (i) 9 deceive the investing public, including Plaintiff and other Class members, as alleged herein; and (ii) cause Plaintiff and other members of the Class to purchase 10 GigaCloud's securities at artificially inflated prices. In furtherance of this unlawful 11 scheme, plan and course of conduct, Defendants, and each defendant, took the 12 13 actions set forth herein.

110. Defendants (i) employed devices, schemes, and artifices to defraud; (ii) 14 15 made untrue statements of material fact and/or omitted to state material facts necessary to make the statements not misleading; and (iii) engaged in acts, practices, 16 17 and a course of business which operated as a fraud and deceit upon the purchasers of 18 the Company's securities in an effort to maintain artificially high market prices for GigaCloud's securities in violation of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 19 10b-5. All Defendants are sued either as primary participants in the wrongful and 20 21 illegal conduct charged herein or as controlling persons as alleged below.

22 111. Defendants, individually and in concert, directly and indirectly, by the 23 use, means or instrumentalities of interstate commerce and/or of the mails, engaged and participated in a continuous course of conduct to conceal adverse material 24 information about GigaCloud's financial well-being and prospects, as specified 25 herein. 26

27 112. Defendants employed devices, schemes and artifices to defraud, while 28 in possession of material adverse non-public information and engaged in acts,

practices, and a course of conduct as alleged herein in an effort to assure investors of 1 2 GigaCloud's value and performance and continued substantial growth, which 3 included the making of, or the participation in the making of, untrue statements of material facts and/or omitting to state material facts necessary in order to make the 4 5 statements made about GigaCloud and its business operations and future prospects in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, as set 6 forth more particularly herein, and engaged in transactions, practices and a course of 7 8 business which operated as a fraud and deceit upon the purchasers of the Company's 9 securities during the Class Period.

10 113. Each of the Individual Defendants' primary liability and controlling person liability arises from the following facts: (i) the Individual Defendants were 11 high-level executives and/or directors at the Company during the Class Period and 12 13 members of the Company's management team or had control thereof; (ii) each of these defendants, by virtue of their responsibilities and activities as a senior officer 14 15 and/or director of the Company, was privy to and participated in the creation, development and reporting of the Company's internal budgets, plans, projections 16 and/or reports; (iii) each of these defendants enjoyed significant personal contact 17 18 and familiarity with the other defendants and was advised of, and had access to, other members of the Company's management team, internal reports and other data 19 and information about the Company's finances, operations, and sales at all relevant 20 21 times; and (iv) each of these defendants was aware of the Company's dissemination of information to the investing public which they knew and/or recklessly 22 23 disregarded was materially false and misleading.

114. Defendants had actual knowledge of the misrepresentations and/or omissions of material facts set forth herein, or acted with reckless disregard for the truth in that they failed to ascertain and to disclose such facts, even though such facts were available to them. Such defendants' material misrepresentations and/or omissions were done knowingly or recklessly and for the purpose and effect of

concealing GigaCloud's financial well-being and prospects from the investing 1 2 public and supporting the artificially inflated price of its securities. As demonstrated 3 by Defendants' overstatements and/or misstatements of the Company's business, 4 operations, financial well-being, and prospects throughout the Class Period, 5 Defendants, if they did not have actual knowledge of the misrepresentations and/or omissions alleged, were reckless in failing to obtain such knowledge by deliberately 6 7 refraining from taking those steps necessary to discover whether those statements 8 were false or misleading.

9 115. As a result of the dissemination of the materially false and/or 10 misleading information and/or failure to disclose material facts, as set forth above, the market price of GigaCloud's securities was artificially inflated during the Class 11 Period. In ignorance of the fact that market prices of the Company's securities were 12 13 artificially inflated, and relying directly or indirectly on the false and misleading statements made by Defendants, or upon the integrity of the market in which the 14 securities trades, and/or in the absence of material adverse information that was 15 known to or recklessly disregarded by Defendants, but not disclosed in public 16 17 statements by Defendants during the Class Period, Plaintiff and the other members 18 of the Class acquired GigaCloud's securities during the Class Period at artificially 19 high prices and were damaged thereby.

116. At the time of said misrepresentations and/or omissions, Plaintiff and 20 other members of the Class were ignorant of their falsity, and believed them to be 21 22 true. Had Plaintiff and the other members of the Class and the marketplace known 23 the truth regarding the problems that GigaCloud was experiencing, which were not 24 disclosed by Defendants, Plaintiff and other members of the Class would not have purchased or otherwise acquired their GigaCloud securities, or, if they had acquired 25 such securities during the Class Period, they would not have done so at the 26 artificially inflated prices which they paid. 27

1 117. By virtue of the foregoing, Defendants violated Section 10(b) of the
 2 Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

3 118. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' wrongful conduct,
4 Plaintiff and the other members of the Class suffered damages in connection with
5 their respective purchases and sales of the Company's securities during the Class
6 Period.

FOURTH CLAIM

Violation of Section 20(a) of The Exchange Act <u>Against the Individual Defendants</u>

10 119. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each and every allegation contained11 above as if fully set forth herein.

120. Individual Defendants acted as controlling persons of GigaCloud 12 13 within the meaning of Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act as alleged herein. By virtue of their high-level positions and their ownership and contractual rights, 14 participation in, and/or awareness of the Company's operations and intimate 15 16 knowledge of the false financial statements filed by the Company with the SEC and disseminated to the investing public, Individual Defendants had the power to 17 18 influence and control and did influence and control, directly or indirectly, the decision-making of the Company, including the content and dissemination of the 19 various statements which Plaintiff contends are false and misleading. Individual 20 21 Defendants were provided with or had unlimited access to copies of the Company's reports, press releases, public filings, and other statements alleged by Plaintiff to be 22 23 misleading prior to and/or shortly after these statements were issued and had the 24 ability to prevent the issuance of the statements or cause the statements to be 25 corrected.

26 121. In particular, Individual Defendants had direct and supervisory27 involvement in the day-to-day operations of the Company and, therefore, had the

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power to control or influence the particular transactions giving rise to the securities
 violations as alleged herein, and exercised the same.

122. As set forth above, GigaCloud and Individual Defendants each violated
Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5 by their acts and omissions as alleged in this
Complaint. By virtue of their position as controlling persons, Individual Defendants
are liable pursuant to Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act. As a direct and proximate
result of Defendants' wrongful conduct, Plaintiff and other members of the Class
suffered damages in connection with their purchases of the Company's securities
during the Class Period.

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PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief and judgment, as follows:

12 (a) Determining that this action is a proper class action under Rule 23 of13 the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure;

(b) Awarding compensatory damages in favor of Plaintiff and the other
Class members against all defendants, jointly and severally, for all damages
sustained as a result of Defendants' wrongdoing, in an amount to be proven at trial,
including interest thereon;

18 (c) Awarding Plaintiff and the Class their reasonable costs and expenses
19 incurred in this action, including counsel fees and expert fees; and

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(d)

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury.