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MERMAID MARITIME PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED

(Registered in the Kingdom of Thailand as a Company with Limited Liability)
(Registration Number. 0107550000017)

NOTICE OF THE CONDITIONAL BOOKS CLOSURE DATE

Where capitalised terms are used in this announcement and not otherwise defined, such capitalised terms shall bear the same meanings as ascribed to them in the announcement made by Mermaid Maritime Public Company Limited (the "Company") on 18 September 2009.

Notice is hereby given that, subject to, among others, the approval of the Shareholders at the EGM for the Rights Issue and the approval of the Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Thailand (the "**SEC**"), the Register of Shareholders of the Company and the depository register maintained by CDP will be closed at 5.00 p.m. on 27 October 2009¹ for the purpose of determining the Rights of Shareholders under the Rights Issue (the "**Books Closure Date**").

Subject to compliance with relevant securities laws, Registered Shareholders will be provisionally allotted the Rights Shares under the Rights Issue on the basis of the Shares recorded in their names in the Register of Shareholders as at the Books Closure Date, fractional entitlements to be disregarded and aggregated to form part of the Excess Rights Shares.

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Macquarie Securities (Singapore) Pte Limited was the Sole Global Coordinator, Bookrunner and Underwriter for, and Macquarie Securities (Asia) Pte Limited was the Issue Manager for, the initial public offering of the Company. This announcement has been prepared and issued by the Company.

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Vincent Siaw
Company Secretary
22 September 2009

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