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## MERMAID MARITIME PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED

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

## NON-RENOUNCEABLE NON-UNDERWRITTEN RIGHTS ISSUE AND PRIVATE PLACEMENT TO RAISE GROSS PROCEEDS OF UP TO S\$176.1 MILLION

Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalised terms used herein shall bear the same meanings ascribed to them in the Circular dated 12 June 2013 issued by Mermaid Maritime Public Company Limited (the "Company").

## DESPATCH OF THE INSTRUCTION BOOKLET AND APPLICATION FORMS

The Board of Directors of the Company wishes to announce that the instruction booklet dated 26 August 2013 in relation to the Rights Issue (the "Instruction Booklet"), together with a copy of the Provisional Allotment Letter (the "PAL") or the Acceptance Form for Rights Shares Provisionally Allotted and Application for Excess Rights Shares under the Rights Issue (the "ARE"), as the case may be, have been despatched to Registered Shareholders today. A copy of the Instruction Booklet is attached hereto.

# ACCEPTANCE OF PROVISIONAL ALLOTMENTS OF RIGHTS SHARES AND APPLICATIONS FOR EXCESS RIGHTS RIGHTS SHARES

Acceptances of provisional allotments of Rights Shares and (if applicable) applications for Excess Rights Shares may be made by Registered Shareholders:

- (a) in the case of Entitled Scripholders, by way of the PAL; and
- (b) in the case of Entitled Depositors, by way of the ARE and/or by way of an Electronic Application through an ATM of the Participating Banks.

For investors who hold Shares through finance companies or Depository Agents, acceptances of the Rights Shares provisionally allotted pursuant to these Shares and (if applicable) application for Excess Rights Shares must be done through these intermediaries. Any acceptances of the Rights Shares provisionally allotted pursuant to these Shares and (if applicable) application for Excess Rights Shares directly to CDP or through an ATM of a Participating Bank will be rejected.

#### NOT FOR DISTRIBUTION IN THE UNITED STATES

The Company is not registered under the CPF Investment Scheme and the CPF account savings of CPF members under the CPF Investment Scheme — Ordinary Account may not be used for payment of the Rights Issue Price.

More information on the procedures for acceptance of and payment for Rights Shares and application and payment for Excess Rights Shares by Registered Shareholders can be found in the PAL, the ARE and the Instruction Booklet.

## **COLLECTION OF THE INSTRUCTION BOOKLET**

Registered Shareholders who do not receive the Instruction Booklet and its accompanying document may obtain copies of the documents from CDP at 4 Shenton Way, #02-01, SGX Centre 2, Singapore 068807 or the Company's Share Transfer Agent, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Pte Ltd at 50 Raffles Place, #32-01, Singapore Land Tower, Singapore 048623. Registered Shareholders wishing to accept any Rights Shares and (if applicable) apply for Excess Rights Shares must make an application in the manner set out in the Instruction Booklet and its accompanying documents by 6 September 2013.

## TIMETABLE IN RELATION TO THE RIGHTS ISSUE

An indicative timeline for the Rights Issue is set out below (all references are to Singapore dates and times):

Commencement of acceptance and application of: 29 August 2013

Rights Shares and Excess Rights Shares

Last date and time for acceptance of and payment for :

Rights Shares

6 September 2013, at 5.00 p.m.

(9.30 p.m. for Electronic Applications)

Last date and time for application of and payment for :

**Excess Rights Shares** 

6 September 2013, at 5.00 p.m.

(9.30 p.m. for Electronic Applications)

Expected date for issuance of Rights Shares<sup>(1)</sup> : 19 September 2013

Expected date for commencement of trading of Rights : 20 September 2013

Shares

#### Note:

Under the relevant Thai law, a public company is required to register the increase of paid-up capital with the (1) MOC within 14 days from the date on which all offered shares, i.e. Rights Shares in this case, were paid up. The expected date of issuance of Rights Shares is conditional upon the completion of the registration with the MOC, which is assumed to take up to 14 days.

The indicative timetable above is subject to modifications at the discretion of the Company, following consultation with the Manager.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Vincent Siaw Company Secretary 29 August 2013

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