

## Announcement of Appointment of Independent Director

Mar 26, 2008

Date of Appointment *	26-03-2008
Name *	Kwah Thiam Hock
Age *	62
Country of principal residence *	Singapore
Whether appointment is executive, and if so, area of responsibility *	Non-Executive
Job Title	Independent Director
Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10 years *	<p>ECICS Limited  CEO &amp; Principal Officer  (June 2003 till retirement on 18 December 2006)</p> <p>EH Group Ltd  AGM to President/CEO (promoted to CEO in 1994)  (March 1976 to May 2003)</p> <p>International Maritime Ltd (subsidiary of IMC Hongkong)  Regional Accountant/Deputy Manager  (June 1974 to February 1976)</p> <p>Singapore Famco Asia Pte Ltd  Financial Controller  (May 1973 to May 1974)</p> <p>Singapore Spinners Pte Ltd  Assistant Accountant/Secretary  (May 1970 to May 1973)</p> <p>Singapore Textile Industrials Ltd  Assistant Accountant  (January 1969 to April 1970)</p> <p>Port of Singapore Authority  Trainee Assistant Traffic Supervisor</p>

	(October 1964 to December 1968)
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Shareholding * in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries *	Non
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Family relationship with any director and/or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries *	Non
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Conflict of interest *	Non
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>> Other Directorship#	
# These fields are not applicable for announcements of appointments pursuant to Rule 704(9)	

Past (for the last five years)	NA
Present	<p>Excelpoint Technology Ltd Independent Director 18 April 2007</p> <p>Select Group Limited Independent Director 26 October 2004</p> <p>Wilmar International Limited Independent Director 14 July 2006</p> <p>ECICS Limited Non-Executive Director 1 June 2003</p> <p>IFS Capital Limited (formerly known as International Factors (Singapore) Ltd)</p>

	Non-Executive Director 4 May 1987
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>> Information required under Rule 704(7)(h)

Disclose the following matters concerning a director, chief executive officer, general manager or other executive officer of equivalent rank. If the answer to any questions is "yes", full details must be given.

(a) *	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, a petition under any bankruptcy laws of any jurisdiction was filed against him or against a partnership of which he was a partner?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No</li> </ul>
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(b) *	Whether at any time during the last 10 years a petition under any law of any jurisdiction was filed against a corporation of which he was a director or key executive for the winding up of that corporation on the ground of insolvency?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No</li> </ul>
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(c) *	Whether there is any unsatisfied judgement against him?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No</li> </ul>
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(d) *	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving fraud or dishonesty which is punishable with imprisonment for 3 months or more, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings which he is aware of) for such purpose?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No</li> </ul>
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(e)	*	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings which he is aware of) for such breach?	• No
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(f)	*	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, judgement has been entered against him in any civil proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or a finding of fraud, misinterpretation or dishonesty on his part, or he has been the subject of any civil proceedings (including any pending civil proceedings which he is aware of involving an allegation of fraud, misinterpretation or dishonesty on his part)?	• No
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(g)	*	Whether he has ever been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence in connection with the formation or management of any corporation?	• No
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(h)	*	Whether he has ever been disqualified from acting as a director of any corporation, or from taking part directly or indirectly in the management of any corporation?	• No
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(i)	*	Whether he has ever been the subject of any order, judgement or ruling of any	• No
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court, tribunal or governmental body, permanently or temporarily enjoining him from engaging in any type of business practice or activity?	
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<p>(j) *Whether he has ever, to his knowledge, been concerned with the management or conduct, in Singapore or elsewhere, of the affairs of :-</p> <p>(i) any corporation which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing corporations in Singapore or elsewhere; or</p> <p>(ii) any corporation or partnership which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere,</p> <p>in connection with any matter occurring or arising during the period when he was so concerned with the corporation or partnership?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No</li> </ul>
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Footnotes	<p>Mr Kwah Thiam Hock has attended the following trainings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) ECGD (UK) - May 1976</li> <li>2) Exim (Japan) - October 1980</li> <li>3) Asian Institute of Management -Top Management Program (1987)</li> </ol>
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