

## **SWISSCO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**

(Company Reg. No: 200401051D)

### **DILUTION IN EQUITY STAKE IN ASSOCIATED COMPANY**

8 November 2005 - Swissco International Limited ("the Swissco Group"), a SESDAQ listed company, wishes to announce that its associated company, Swiber Holdings Pte Ltd ("Swiber"), has increased its issued and fully paid capital from S\$12 million to S\$15 million by an allotment of an additional three (3) million ordinary shares of S\$1 par value each ("New Shares") to Radiant City Limited ("Radiant City"), a new shareholder and an independent and unrelated party.

Consequent to the issue of New Shares, the Swissco Group's shareholdings in Swiber is diluted from 27.5% to 22% of the total enlarged issued and fully paid capital of Swiber. However, the Swissco Group's total number of shares in the capital of Swiber remains at 3.3 million ordinary shares of S\$1 par value each.

Swiber engages in ship chartering and ship engineering services in the oil and gas industry in certain geographical segments and more recently, in the coal mining industry. In its operations, Swiber utilises its own vessels, third party vessels as well as vessels from the Swissco Group's fleet. The activities of Swiber complement the Swissco Group's offshore logistic support business. With growing demands and opportunities in the oil and gas industry, Swiber is actively expanding its business and building-up its fleet. The New Shares issue is part of Swiber on-going efforts to seek funds to further its growth and development. It is also exploring other capital funding options.

This is a positive move for Swiber. The new investor, Radiant City, shares a common vision with the other shareholders of Swiber. Hence, Radiant City's decision to take up 20% equity stake in Swiber at a cost of about S\$7 million, demonstrates its support and commitment in the potential and success of Swiber.

Following the dilution of its percentage shareholdings in Swiber, the Swissco Group's effective interests in the following associated companies through Swiber is correspondingly reduced from 27.5% to 22%.

- (a) Swisko Marine (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd;
- (b) Asia Pacific Marine Limited;
- (c) PT Swisko Berjaya;
- (d) Swiber Offshore Pte Ltd;
- (e) APECS Offshore Pte Ltd

The Swissco Group's effective interest in Camvale Pte Ltd through Swiber Offshore Pte Ltd is also reduced from 27.5% to 22%.

The above transaction is not expected to have a material impact on the consolidated net tangible assets per share and consolidated earnings per share of the Swissco Group for the financial year 31 December 2005.

None of the Directors or substantial shareholders or controlling shareholders of the Swissco Group has any interest direct or indirect in the aforesaid transaction.

By Order of the Board

Tan Ching Chek  
Company Secretary  
Dated: 8 November 2005

The listing of the shares of Swissco International Limited on the SGX-SESDAQ was sponsored by Phillip Securities Pte Ltd.