## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-Fifth Annual General Meeting of Hwa Hong Corporation Limited (the "Company") will be held at Swissôtel Merchant Court, Merchant Court Ballroom, Section A, 20 Merchant Road Singapore 058281 on Friday, 25 April 2008 at 2.30 p.m. for the following purposes:

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

1.	To receive and adopt the audited Financial Statements and the reports of the Directors and Auditors for the financial year ended 31 December 2007.	Resolution 1
2.	To declare a one-tier tax exempt final ordinary dividend of 1.25 cents per share and a one-tier tax exempt special dividend of 0.75 cents per share in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2007.	Resolution 2
3.	To approve the payment of fees amounting to S\$355,000 to the non-executive Directors of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2007 (2006: S\$370,000).	Resolution 3
4.	To approve the payment of fees up to S\$345,000 in aggregate to the non-executive Directors of the Company for the financial year ending 31	Resolution 4

5. To re-elect the following Directors who are retiring by rotation in accordance with Article 113 of the Articles of Association of the Company:

December 2008 (2007: S\$355,000), such fees to be paid on a quarterly

- (a) Dr Ong Hian Eng **Resolution 5** (Note: Dr Ong Hian Eng is considered an executive Director.)
- (b) Mr Hans Hugh Miller Resolution 6 (Note: Mr Hans Hugh Miller, if re-elected, will remain as a member of the Nominating Committee and the Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and the Divestment and Investment Committee. He is considered an independent non-executive Director.)
- 6. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions:

basis in arrears at the end of each calendar quarter. (See Explanatory Note to Ordinary Business).

- "That pursuant to Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, **Resolution 7** Mr Ong Mui Eng be and is hereby re-appointed a Director of the Company to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of the Company." (Note: Mr Ong Mui Eng is an executive and non-independent Director.)
- (b) "That pursuant to Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Chapter 50. **Resolution 8** Mr Guan Meng Kuan be and is hereby re-appointed a Director of the Company to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of the Company." (Note: Mr Guan Meng Kuan, if re-elected, will remain as a member of the Nominating Committee and the Remuneration Committee. He is considered a non-executive and non-independent Director.)

7. To re-appoint Messrs Ernst & Young as the Company's Auditors and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.

**Resolution 9** 

8. To transact any other ordinary business which may properly be transacted at an Annual General Meeting.

#### **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without modifications, the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

9. Authority to allot and issue shares up to fifty per cent (50%) of the total number of Issued Shares

**Resolution 10** 

"That authority be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company to:

- (a) (i) issue shares in the capital of the Company ("shares") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
  - (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "Instruments") that might or would require shares to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible or exchangeable into shares,

at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit; and

(b) (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue shares in pursuance of any Instrument made or granted by the Directors while this Resolution was in force,

## provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to this Resolution (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed fifty per cent (50%) of the total number of issued shares of the Company excluding treasury shares (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), and provided further that where shareholders of the Company with registered addresses in Singapore are not given the opportunity to participate in the same on a pro rata basis, then the shares to be issued under such circumstances (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) shall not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the total number of issued shares of the Company excluding treasury shares (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);
- (2) (subject to such manner of calculation and adjustments as may be prescribed by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST")) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the percentage of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares shall be based on the total number of issued shares of the Company excluding treasury shares at the time this Resolution is passed, after adjusting for:

- new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities;
- (ii) new shares arising from the exercise of share options or the vesting of share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time this Resolution is passed, provided that the options or awards were granted in compliance with the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST; and
- (iii) any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares;

and, in relation to an Instrument, the number of shares shall be taken to be that number as would have been issued had the rights therein been fully exercised or effected on the date of the making or granting of the Instrument; and

(3) (unless revoked or varied by the Company in general meeting) the authority conferred by this Resolution shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier."

# 10. Authority to allot and issue shares under Hwa Hong Corporation Limited (2001) Share Option Scheme

Resolution 11

"That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, approval be and is hereby given to the Directors or any committee appointed by them to exercise full powers of the Company to offer and grant options over shares in the Company in accordance with the Rules of the Hwa Hong Corporation Limited (2001) Share Option Scheme approved by shareholders of the Company in general meeting on 29 May 2001 and as may be amended from time to time and to allot and issue shares in the Company upon the exercise of any such options (notwithstanding that the exercise thereof or such allotment and issue may occur after the conclusion of the next or any ensuing Annual General Meeting of the Company), and to do all acts and things which they may consider necessary or expedient to carry the same into effect, provided always that the aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to the Hwa Hong Corporation Limited (2001) Share Option Scheme shall not exceed five per cent (5%) of the total number of issued shares of the Company from time to time."

# 11. Authority to issue shares under Hwa Hong Corporation Limited Scrip Dividend Scheme

**Resolution 12** 

"That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, approval be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company to allot and issue shares in the Company as may be required to be allotted and issued pursuant to the Hwa Hong Corporation Limited Scrip Dividend Scheme approved by shareholders of the Company in general meeting on 7 November 2003, and to do all acts and things which they may consider necessary or expedient to carry the same into effect."

#### 12. Renewal of Share Purchase Mandate

**Resolution 13** 

"That:

(a) for the purposes of Sections 76C and 76E of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the "Companies Act"), the exercise by the Directors of the Company of all the powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire issued and fully paid ordinary shares in the Company (the "Shares") not exceeding in aggregate the Prescribed Limit (as hereinafter defined), at such price or prices as may be determined by the Directors of the Company from time to time up to the Maximum Price (as hereinafter defined), whether by way of:

- (i) market purchases (each a "Market Purchase") on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"); and/or
- (ii) off-market purchases (each an "Off-Market Purchase") effected otherwise than on the SGX-ST in accordance with any equal access scheme(s) as may be determined or formulated by the Directors of the Company as they consider fit, which scheme(s) shall satisfy all the conditions prescribed by the Companies Act,

and otherwise in accordance with all other laws, regulations and rules of the SGX-ST as may for the time being be applicable, be and is hereby authorised and approved generally and unconditionally (the "Share Purchase Mandate");

- (b) unless varied or revoked by the Company in general meeting, the authority conferred on the Directors of the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate in paragraph (a) of this Resolution may be exercised by the Directors of the Company at any time and from time to time during the period commencing from the date of the passing of this Resolution and expiring on the earlier of:
  - the date on which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is held;
  - (ii) the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; or
  - (iii) the date on which purchases or acquisitions of Shares are carried out to the full extent mandated:

#### (c) in this Resolution:

"Prescribed Limit" means, subject to the Companies Act, 10% of the total number of Shares of the Company (excluding any Shares which are held as treasury shares) as at the date of the passing of this Resolution; and

"Maximum Price", in relation to a Share to be purchased, means an amount (excluding brokerage, stamp duties, applicable goods and services tax and other related expenses) not exceeding:

- (i) in the case of a Market Purchase, 105% of the Average Closing Price (as defined hereinafter); and
- (ii) in the case of an Off-Market Purchase, 120% of the Highest Last Dealt Price (as defined hereinafter),

# where:

"Average Closing Price" means the average of the Closing Market Prices of the Shares over the last five Market Days on the SGX-ST, on which transactions in the Shares were recorded, immediately preceding the day of the Market Purchase, and deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs after such five-Market Day period;

"Closing Market Price" means the last dealt price for a Share transacted through the SGX-ST's Central Limit Order Book (CLOB) trading system as shown in any publication of the SGX-ST or other

sources;

"Highest Last Dealt Price" means the highest price transacted for a Share as recorded on the SGX-ST on the Market Day on which there were trades in the Shares immediately preceding the day of the making of the offer pursuant to the Off-Market Purchase;

"day of the making of the offer" means the day on which the Company announces its intention to make an offer for the purchase or acquisition of Shares from shareholders of the Company, stating the purchase price (which shall not be more than the Maximum Price calculated on the foregoing basis) for each Share and the relevant terms of the equal access scheme for effecting the Off-Market Purchase; and

"Market Day" means a day on which the SGX-ST is open for trading in securities; and

(d) the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing such documents as may be required) as they may consider expedient or necessary to give effect to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution."

#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

ONG BEE LEEM SECRETARY

Singapore, 8 April 2008

#### Note

A Member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting may appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote in his stead. Where a Member appoints more than one proxy, he shall specify the proportion of his shareholdings to be represented by each proxy. A proxy need not be a Member of the Company. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at 38 South Bridge Road, Singapore 058672 at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.

#### **Explanatory Note to Ordinary Business**

Resolution 4 proposed in item 4, if passed, will authorise the Company to effect payment of fees to the non-executive Directors (including fees payable to members of the various committees of the Board) for the financial year ending 31 December 2008, such payment to be made on a quarterly basis in arrears. This Resolution will facilitate the prompt payment by the Company of the Directors' fees during the financial year in which they are incurred.

# **Explanatory Notes to Special Business**

Resolution 10, if passed, will empower the Directors to issue shares in the capital of the Company and/or Instruments (as defined above). The aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to this Resolution, including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant thereto, will be subject to the 50% limit and the 20% sub-limit. The 50% limit and the 20% sub-limit will be calculated based on the total number of issued shares of the Company excluding treasury shares at the time this Resolution is passed, after adjusting for:

- (i) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or exercise of share options or vesting of share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time of this Resolution is passed; and
- (ii) any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares.

The authority conferred by this Resolution will continue in force until the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier, unless previously revoked or varied at a general meeting.

Resolution 11, if passed, gives authority to the Directors to grant options and to issue shares in connection with the Hwa Hong Corporation Limited (2001) Share Option Scheme (notwithstanding that such issue of shares may take place after the expiration of this approval).

Resolution 12, if passed, gives authority to the Directors to issue shares in the capital of the Company pursuant to the Hwa Hong Corporation Limited Scrip Dividend Scheme approved at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 7 November 2003.

Resolution 13, if passed, will empower the Directors to exercise all powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire (whether by way of market purchases or off-market purchases) issued and fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (the "Shares") on the terms of the mandate (the "Share Purchase Mandate") set out in the Appendix to this Notice of Annual General Meeting. The authority conferred by this Resolution will continue in force until the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held or the date on which purchases or acquisitions of Shares are carried out to the full extent mandated, whichever is the earlier, unless previously revoked or varied at a general meeting.

The Company intends to use the Group's internal resources to finance its purchases or acquisitions of Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate. The amount of funding required for the Company to purchase or acquire the Shares under the Share Purchase Mandate will depend on, *inter alia*, the aggregate number of Shares purchased or acquired and the consideration paid at the relevant time.

For illustrative purposes only, the financial effects of purchases or acquisitions of Shares under the Share Purchase Mandate on the audited financial statements of the Company and the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2007, based on certain stated assumptions, are set out in paragraph 2.7 of the Appendix to this Notice of General Meeting.