



MANHATTAN RESOURCES LIMITED

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Manhattan Resources posts lower revenue due to adverse weather conditions

- *Revenue declined 33.0% to \$4.7 million in 2Q2014*
- *Coal transportation volume was reduced as unusual weather impeded demand for charter services*

Financial Highlights (\$ million)	3 Months Ended 30 Jun 14 (unaudited)			6 Months Ended 30 Jun 14 (unaudited)		
	2Q 2014	2Q 2013	Change (%)	1H 2014	1H 2013	Change (%)
Revenue	4.7	7.0	(33.0)	9.4	13.6	(31.0)
(Loss)/ Profit Before Tax	(1.9)	0.5	n.m.	(2.1)	0.2	n.m.
(Loss)/Profit After Tax Attributable to the Equity Holders of the Company	(2.1)	1.0	n.m.	(2.6)	0.7	n.m.
(Loss) /Earnings Per Share (cents) ¹	(0.42)	0.19	n.m.	(0.52)	0.14	n.m.
NAV Per Share (cents) ²	-	-	-	21.2	21.6	(1.9)

Notes: - n.m.: Not meaningful

(1) The basic earnings/(loss) per ordinary is computed based on the weighted average number of 506,490,975 ordinary shares in issue during 1H 2014 (1H 2013: 506,490,975), and 506,490,975 ordinary shares during 2Q2014.

(2) Net asset value per ordinary share of the Group is computed based on 506,490,975 ordinary shares in issue as at 30 June 2014 (30 June 2013: 506,490,975).

SINGAPORE – 11 August 2014 – SGX Mainboard-listed **Manhattan Resources Limited** (“**MRL**” or together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) today reported a net loss attributable to equity holders of the Company of \$2.1 million and revenue of \$4.7 million for the second quarter ended 30 June 2014 (“**2Q 2014**”). For the same period in 2013 (“**2Q 2013**”), the Group posted a net profit of \$1.0 million on revenue of \$7.0 million.

The decline in revenue was mainly due to weaker contribution from the coal transportation business which saw revenue of \$4.7 million in 2Q 2014 as compared to \$7.0 million in 2Q 2013. Coal carrying activities were reduced during the first six months of the year following unusually adverse weather conditions.

In 2Q 2014, other expenses rose 2.9% to \$5.1 million from \$4.9 million a year back mainly due to the increase in legal and professional fee as a result of the proposed diversification into mining-related business. The increase in other expenses was also contributed by the increase in upkeep and docking expenses to meet the compliance requirements, the increase in fuel cost for the trial runs on the new routes and the additional costs associated to the barge accidents. The Group also registered a foreign exchange gain of \$92,000 as compared to a loss of \$676,000 in 2Q 2013, primarily due to the strengthening of the US dollar against the Indonesian Rupiah and Renminbi.

Cumulatively, for the six months ended 30 June 2014, the Group recorded a loss attributable to equity holders of the Company amounting to \$2.6 million on revenue of \$9.4 million, as compared to a net profit of \$725,000 on revenue of \$13.6 million for the corresponding period a year before.

From a balance sheet standpoint, the Group continues to remain in good stead with zero debt and a net cash balance of \$79.1 million as at 30 June 2014.

MRL's Chief Executive Officer, Mr David Low commented: "Though our coal carrying volumes have declined due to bad weather conditions, we remain in a sound financial position to ride out the challenges posed by the current economic backdrop. Moving forward, the Group will continue to focus on completing its plans to diversify into mining and its related industries, which could potentially become the Group's key business segment in the years to come."

Going forward, the Group would be working on streamlining its businesses and fine-tuning overall cost effectiveness across its business processes.

MRL has announced its intention to move into mining-related business in the PRC to create new business opportunities that will provide the Group with new revenue stream. In April 2014, it entered into a call option agreement, whereby MRL may exercise the option to acquire up to 60% of Starsmind Capital, which has an option to take up 39.4% of Mineriver. Mineriver, is the sole shareholder of Xinjiang Fengli Deyuan which holds exploration rights, covering an area of 21.51 sq km in Xinjiang PRC, to explore for metals and minerals, including Nickel. On 22 May 2014, Manhattan Resources announced that it had entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement to acquire the entire issued share capital of Singxin Resources. Singxin Resources owns a 70% stake in Giantminer Pte Ltd which in turn owns Urumqi Jinshi Huilong Mining Co., Ltd that has exploration rights to three large mines in Xinjiang, China, covering a total area of 26.99 sq km.

Conditional upon the completion of the proposed acquisition, the Group will offer a 1-for-1 bonus issue of 1,876,353,988 warrants at an exercise price of S\$1.00 per share for existing shareholders and the vendors (as at a books closure date to be determined at a later date by the Board) to counter the dilutive effects of the new enlarged share base.

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About Manhattan Resources Limited - <http://www.manhattan.sg/>

Incorporated on 28 December 1980 (under the name “Links Island Marine Pte Ltd” previously), Manhattan Resources Limited (“MRL”) was successfully listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange back in 28 February 2000 under the name of “Links Island Holdings Limited”.

The Group which is based in Singapore is currently engaged in barging activities as well as the provision of logistics, marine transportation and support services to the coal mining and resources industries in Indonesia. Since 2011, it ventured into property development in the PRC with its first project, the Ningbo Yinxhou Manhattan Tower – an office and commercial tower comprising of prime retail, SOHO and high-end offices, in Yinzhou District, Ningbo, Zhejiang Province.

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