

## YEO HIAP SENG LIMITED

(Incorporated in Singapore) (Company Registration No.: 195500138Z)

## RESPONSE TO A QUESTION RECEIVED FROM A SHAREHOLDER PRIOR TO THE COMPANY'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Yeo Hiap Seng Limited ("YHS" or the "Company" and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") hereby announces that the Company has received one (1) question from a shareholder of the Company ("Shareholder") in advance of the Company's Annual General Meeting to be held on 28 April 2023 at 4.00 p.m. by way of electronic means. The following is the Company's response to the Shareholder's question.

## **Question from Shareholder:**

How is the cash and cash equivalent managed in the Company? Is the management looking at investing them in short-term T-bills (treasury bills) to increase the interest income?

## Response to Shareholder's question:

With a healthy cash balance and no borrowings, the Group is able to weather three years of the COVID-19 pandemic, while continuing to invest in the long-term growth of our core food and beverage business. These investments include enhancing our supply chain infrastructure, new product innovations, and brand building.

Management actively seeks to optimise returns on our cash balance and invests the surplus cash in financial assets to generate higher returns, subject to the frameworks that the Board and Management has put in place to manage the Group's exposure and risks to financial assets investments. As a result, the Group's interest income increased to \$3.3 million in the financial year ended 31 December 2022 from \$1.1 million a year ago.

Management is always weighing the benefits of ensuring business stability with a strong balance sheet and providing flexibility to pursue organic and non-organic growth opportunities.

By Order of the Board Nor Hafiza Alwi Company Secretary 21 April 2023