



**ASPIAL CORPORATION LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)  
(Registration Number: 197001030G)

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APPENDIX I TO THE NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
DATED 11 APRIL 2025

IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED RENEWAL OF  
THE SHARES PURCHASE MANDATE

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## SUMMARY SHEET FOR RENEWAL OF SHARES PURCHASE MANDATE

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### (A) Shares Purchased In The Previous Twelve Months

The details of the purchases or acquisitions of issued ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (“**Shares**”) made by the Company in the twelve (12) months immediately preceding and on 1 April 2025 (the “**Latest Practicable Date**”) are as follows:

<b>Date of Purchase or Acquisition</b>	<b>Type of Purchase or Acquisition</b>	<b>Number of Shares Purchased or Acquired</b>	<b>Highest Price Paid per Share (S\$)</b>	<b>Lowest Price Paid per Share (S\$)</b>	<b>Total Consideration Paid (S\$) (including related expenses)</b>
01.04.2024	Market Purchase	299,700	0.067	0.066	19,915.25
04.04.2024	Market Purchase	80,000	0.066	0.066	5,293.58
11.04.2024	Market Purchase	107,600	0.068	0.067	7,303.66

In the last 12 months preceding and on the Latest Practicable Date, the Company acquired 487,300 Shares through market purchases of Shares on the SGX-ST, meaning a purchase transacted through the ready market (“**Market Purchases**”) pursuant to the Shares Purchase Mandate adopted at the AGM on 29 April 2024. The lowest and highest price paid per Share were S\$0.066 and S\$0.068 respectively, and the total consideration paid was S\$32,512.49. The Shares purchased are kept as Treasury Shares. As at the Latest Practicable Date, the Company holds 18,855,215 Treasury Shares.

### (B) Renewal Of The Shares Purchase Mandate

The Ordinary Resolution No. 8 if passed at the forthcoming annual general meeting to be held on 28 April 2025 (“**FY2024 AGM**”), will renew the Shares Purchase Mandate approved by the shareholders of the Company (“**Shareholders**”) from the date of the FY2024 AGM at which the proposed renewal of the Shares Purchase Mandate is approved until:

- (a) the date on which the next annual general meeting of the Company is held or is required by law to be held;
- (b) the date on which the Share purchases are carried out to the full extent of the Shares Purchase Mandate; or
- (c) the date on which the authority conferred in the Shares Purchase Mandate is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders of the Company in general meeting,

whichever is the earliest.

### **(C) Rationale For The Shares Purchase Mandate**

1. Short-term speculation may at times cause the market price of the Company's Shares to be depressed below the true value of the Company and the Group. The proposed Shares Purchase Mandate will provide the Directors with the means to restore investors' confidence and to protect existing Shareholders' investments in the Company in a depressed share-price situation through judicious Shares purchases to enhance the earnings per Share and/or the net asset value per Share. The Shares purchases will enhance the net asset value per Share if the Shares purchases are made at a price below the net asset value per Share.
2. The proposed Shares Purchase Mandate will also provide the Company with an expedient and cost-effective mechanism to facilitate the return of surplus cash reserves to the Shareholders, as and when the Directors are of the view that this would be in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders.
3. The Directors will only make a Shares purchase as and when the circumstances permit and only if the Directors are of the view that such purchases are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders. The Directors will decide whether to purchase Shares only after taking into account, among other things, the market conditions at such time, the Company's financial condition and whether such purchases will cause the Company to become insolvent (in accordance with Section 76F(4) of the Companies Act 1967 of Singapore (the "**Act**")), and whether such purchases represent the most efficient and cost-effective approach to enhance Share value. Shares purchases will only be made if the Directors believe that such purchases are likely to benefit the Company and increase economic value for Shareholders.
4. The Directors will ensure that the Shares purchases will not have any effect on the listing of the Company's securities including the Shares listed on the SGX-ST. Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST requires at least ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding Treasury Shares, preference shares and convertible equity securities) in a class that is listed is at all times held by the public. The Directors shall safeguard the interests of public Shareholders before undertaking any Shares purchases. Before exercising the Shares Purchase Mandate, the Directors shall at all times take due cognisance of (a) the shareholding spread of the Company in respect of the number of Shares held by substantial Shareholders and by non-substantial Shareholders; and (b) the volume of trading on the SGX-ST in respect of the Shares immediately before the exercise of any Shares purchase.
5. The Share purchases would be made only as and when the Directors consider it to be in the best interests of the Company and in appropriate circumstances which the Directors believe will not result in any material adverse effect on the liquidity and the orderly trading of the Shares, the working capital requirements and the gearing level of the Group as well as the financial condition of the Company.
6. As at the Latest Practicable Date, approximately 315,976,950 Shares (14.10%) of a total of 2,219,779,158 Shares issued by the Company (excluding Treasury Shares and subsidiary holdings) are held by the public. The Company will ensure that the Shares purchases will not cause market illiquidity or affect orderly trade and will ensure that Rule 723 of the Listing Manual is complied with. Accordingly, in order to maintain a public float of not less than 10% of the issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares and subsidiary holdings), the Company shall not purchase or acquire more than 90,999,034 Shares (or 4.10%) of the issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares and subsidiary holdings) pursuant to this Shares Purchase Mandate.

#### **(D) Financial Impact Of The Proposed Shares Purchases**

1. The purchased Shares may be:

- (a) held by the Company; or
- (b) dealt with, at any time, in accordance with Section 76K of the Act, as Treasury Shares.

Section 76K of the Act allows the Company to:

- (i) sell the Treasury Shares (or any of them) for cash;
- (ii) transfer the Treasury Shares (or any of them) for the purposes of or pursuant to any share scheme of the Company, whether for employees, Directors or other persons;
- (iii) transfer the Treasury Shares (or any of them) as consideration for the acquisition of shares in or assets of another company or assets of a person;
- (iv) cancel the Treasury Shares (or any of them); or
- (v) sell, transfer or otherwise use the Treasury Shares for such other purposes as may be prescribed by the Minister of Finance.

The aggregate number of Shares held as Treasury Shares shall not at any time exceed ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of Shares at that time. Any Treasury Shares in excess of this limit shall be disposed of or cancelled in accordance with Section 76K of the Act within six (6) months after the limit is first exceeded, or such further period as may be allowed by the Accounting & Corporate Regulatory Authority of Singapore (“ACRA”).

Under the Act, where Shares purchased or acquired by the Company are cancelled, the Company shall:

- (i) reduce the amount of the Company’s share capital where the Shares were purchased or acquired out of the capital of the Company;
- (ii) reduce the amount of the Company’s profits where the Shares were purchased or acquired out of the profits of the Company; or
- (iii) reduce the amount of the Company’s share capital and profits proportionately where the Shares were purchased or acquired out of both the capital and the profits of the Company,

by the total amount of the purchase price paid by the Company for the Shares cancelled.

The Company cannot exercise any right in respect of Treasury Shares. In particular, the Company cannot exercise any right to attend or vote at meetings and for the purposes of the Act, the Company shall be treated as having no right to vote and the Treasury Shares will be treated as having no voting rights.

In addition, no dividend may be paid, and no other distribution (whether in cash or otherwise) of the Company’s assets (including any distribution of assets to members of the Company on winding up) may be made, to the Company in respect of Treasury Shares. However, the allotment of Shares as fully paid bonus shares in respect of Treasury Shares is allowed. Also, a subdivision or consolidation of any Treasury Shares into Treasury Shares of a greater or smaller number is allowed so long as the total value of the Treasury Shares after the subdivision or consolidation is the same as before.

2. The financial effects on the Company and the Group arising from the proposed purchases of the Company's Shares which may be made pursuant to the proposed Shares Purchase Mandate will depend on, *inter alia*, the aggregate number of Shares purchased and the consideration paid at the relevant time.
3. Based on the existing issued and paid-up share capital of the Company of 2,219,779,158 Shares (excluding Treasury Shares and subsidiary holdings) as at the Latest Practicable Date, assuming no further Shares are issued, and no further Shares are purchased or acquired by the Company, or held as Treasury Shares, on or prior to the FY2024 AGM, the proposed purchases by the Company of up to a maximum of 4.10% of its issued share capital under the Shares Purchase Mandate will result in the purchase of up to 90,999,034 Shares.
4. An illustration of the impact of Shares purchases by the Company pursuant to the Shares Purchase Mandate on the Group's and the Company's financial position is set out below based on the following assumptions:
  - (a) audited accounts of the Group and the Company as at 31 December 2024;
  - (b) in full exercise of the Shares Purchase Mandate, 90,999,034 Shares were purchased;
  - (c) the Maximum Price (as defined below) for the Market Purchases is \$0.069 which is five per cent. (5%) above the average closing prices of the Shares over the last five (5) market days preceding the Latest Practicable Date on which the transactions in Shares were recorded on the SGX-ST;
  - (d) the maximum amount of funds required for the Shares purchases in the aggregate is \$6,278,933; and
  - (e) based on the full exercise of the Shares Purchase Mandate, the Company does not have sufficient cash to purchase all the Shares. Hence, for illustration purposes, it is assumed that the Company shall use borrowings to finance the Shares purchases.

Market Purchases and Off-Market Purchases and held as Treasury Shares or cancelled

	<b>Group before Shares purchase (\$'000)</b>	<b>Group after Shares purchase (\$'000)</b>	<b>Company before Shares purchase (\$'000)</b>	<b>Company after Shares purchase (\$'000)</b>
<b>As at 31 December 2024</b>				
Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the Company	5,452	5,452	(7,553)	(7,553)
Shareholders' funds	515,875	509,596	535,768	529,489
Net tangible assets	506,528	500,249	535,674	529,395
Current assets	1,264,779	1,264,779	140,510	140,510
Current liabilities	924,938	931,217	88,817	95,096
Cash and cash equivalents	63,138	63,138	881	881
Short-term investments	770	770	–	–
Number of shares ('000) <sup>(1)</sup>	2,219,779	2,128,780	2,219,779	2,128,780

	Group before Shares purchase (\$'000)	Group after Shares purchase (\$'000)	Company before Shares purchase (\$'000)	Company after Shares purchase (\$'000)
<b>Financial Ratios</b>				
Net tangible assets per Share (cents)	22.82	23.50	24.13	24.87
Earnings per Share (cents) <sup>(2)</sup>	0.25	0.26	(0.34)	(0.35)
Gearing	1.70	1.72	0.10	0.10
Current ratio	1.37	1.36	1.58	1.48

**NOTES:**

(1) Ordinary shares with voting rights.

(2) After distribution to perpetual securities holders.

5. Shareholders should note that the financial effects set out above are based on the audited financial statements of the Group and the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 and are for illustration only. The results of the Group and the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 may not be representative of future performance.
6. The Company intends to use its internal sources of funds to finance its purchases of the Shares. The Company does not intend to obtain or incur any borrowings to finance its purchases of the Shares. The Directors do not propose to exercise the Shares Purchase Mandate in a manner and to such extent that the working capital requirements of the Group would be materially and adversely affected.
7. The Company will take into account both financial and non-financial factors, among other things, the market conditions at such time, the Company's financial condition, the performance of the Shares and whether such Shares purchases would represent the most efficient and cost-effective approach to enhance the Share value. Shares purchases will only be made if the Board believes that such purchases are likely to benefit the Company and increase economic value for Shareholders.

**(E) Consequences Of Shares Purchases Under The Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers**

1. In accordance with The Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers (the "**Take-over Code**"), a person will be required to make a general offer for a public company if:
  - (a) he and persons acting in concert with him acquire thirty per cent. (30%) or more of the voting rights of the company; or
  - (b) he and persons acting in concert with him already hold between thirty per cent. (30%) and fifty per cent. (50%) of the voting rights of the company, and he and his concert parties increase their voting rights in the company by more than one per cent. (1%) in any six-month period.

2. As at the Latest Practicable Date and before the proposed Shares Purchase Mandate, the Directors' and Substantial Shareholders' interests are as follows:

	Before Purchase				After Purchase	
	Direct Interest Number of Shares	Deemed Interest Number of Shares	Total Interest Number of Shares	%	Total Interest Number of Shares	%
<b><u>Directors</u></b>						
Koh Wee Seng <sup>(1)</sup>	418,655,470	1,209,594,537	1,628,250,007	73.35	1,628,250,007	76.49
Koh Lee Hwee <sup>(1)</sup>	30,890,888	1,250,248,306	1,281,139,194	57.71	1,281,139,194	60.18
Ko Lee Meng <sup>(1)</sup>	33,639,865	1,205,041,757	1,238,681,622	55.80	1,238,681,622	58.19
Ong Tuen Suan	—	—	—	—	—	—
Goh Bee Leong	75	—	75	0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	—	0.00 <sup>(4)</sup>
Tan Seng Chuan	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b><u>Substantial Shareholders other than Directors</u></b>						
MLHS Holdings Pte Ltd ("MLHS") <sup>(2)</sup>	1,203,886,870	—	1,203,886,870	54.23	1,203,886,870	56.55
<b><u>Others who are related to the Directors or Substantial Shareholders</u></b>						
Tan Su Lan @ Tan Soo Lung <sup>(1)</sup>	109,618,547	—	109,618,547	4.94	109,618,547	5.15
Koh Wee Meng <sup>(1)</sup>	40,010,000	—	40,010,000	1.80	40,010,000	1.88
Ng Sheng Tiong <sup>(1)</sup>	46,361,436	30,890,888	77,252,324	3.48	77,252,324	3.63
Lim Kwee Hua <sup>(1)</sup>	5,707,667	418,655,470	424,363,137	19.12	424,363,137	19.93
Koh Kian Soo <sup>(1)</sup>	1,154,887	33,639,865	34,794,752	1.57	34,794,752	1.63

**NOTES:**

- (1) Messrs Koh Wee Seng, Ko Lee Meng, Koh Lee Hwee and Koh Wee Meng are the children of Mdm Tan Su Lan @ Tan Soo Lung. Mr Ng Sheng Tiong is the spouse of Ms Koh Lee Hwee. Ms Lim Kwee Hua is the spouse of Mr Koh Wee Seng and Mr Koh Kian Soo is the spouse of Ms Ko Lee Meng.
- (2) MLHS is a private limited company incorporated in Singapore on 14 January 1994. MLHS is an investment holding company. The substantial shareholders of MLHS are Mr Koh Wee Seng (47.00%), Ms Ko Lee Meng (25.75%), Ms Koh Lee Hwee (24.25%) and Mdm Tan Su Lan @ Tan Soo Lung (2.00%). The directors of the Company are Mr Koh Wee Seng, Ms Ko Lee Meng, Mr Koh Wee Meng and Ms Koh Lee Hwee.
- (3) The figure is 0.000003% if expressed in 6 decimal points.
- (4) The figure is 0.000004% if expressed in 6 decimal points.

In the event the Company undertakes Shares purchases of up to 4.10% of the issued share capital of the Company as permitted by the Shares Purchase Mandate, the shareholdings and voting rights of the above Directors and substantial Shareholders and their concert parties (as defined in the Take-over Code), namely, Tan Su Lan @ Tan Soo Lung, Koh Wee Seng, Ko Lee Meng, Koh Lee Hwee, Koh Wee Meng, Lim Kwee Hua, Ng Sheng Tiong, Koh Kian Soo, Koh Yong Hui Kelvin, Koh Joo Huang Karen, Xaiver Koh Hong Wei, Goh Bee Leong and MLHS Holdings Pte. Ltd., aggregating 85.90%, will remain above fifty per cent (50%). Accordingly, no general offer is required to be made pursuant to the Take-Over Code.



## **(F) Miscellaneous**

1. Any Shares purchases undertaken by the Company shall be at a price of up to but not exceeding the maximum price ("**Maximum Price**"). The Maximum Price is a sum which shall not exceed the sum constituting five per cent. (5%) above the average closing price of the Shares over the period of five (5) market days in which transactions in the Shares on the SGX-ST were recorded, in the case of a Market Purchase, before the day on which such purchase is made, and, in the case of an off-market acquisition on an equal access scheme in accordance with Section 76C of the Act ("**Off-Market Purchase**"), immediately preceding the date of offer by the Company, as the case may be, and deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs during the relevant five (5) days period and the day on which the purchases are made.
2. In making Shares purchases, the Company will comply with the requirements of the SGX-ST Listing Manual, in particular, Rule 886 with respect to notification to the SGX-ST of any Shares purchases. Rule 886 is reproduced below:

"(1) An issuer must notify the Exchange of any share buy-back as follows:

- (a) In the case of a market acquisition, by 9.00 a.m. on the market day following the day on which it purchased shares,
- (b) In the case of an off market acquisition under an equal access scheme, by 9.00 a.m. on the second market day after the close of acceptances of the offer.

(2) Notification must be in the form of Appendix 8.3.1 (or 8.3.2 for an issuer with a dual listing on another stock exchange)."

3. Shares purchases will be made in accordance with the "Guidelines on Shares Purchases" as set out in Appendix I of the Company's Circular to Shareholders dated 12 April 2006, a copy of which is annexed and amended to take into account, *inter alia*, the change in trading lots of 1,000 to 100, amendments made to the Act pursuant to the Companies (Amendment) Act 2014, amendments made to the SGX-ST Listing Manual since the last version of Appendix 1 and the Guidance Note on Share Buy-back Mandate issued by SGX-ST on 29 June 2018. All information required under the Act relating to the shares purchase mandate is contained in the said Guidelines.
4. The SGX-ST Listing Manual does not expressly prohibit any purchase of shares by a listed company during any particular time or times. However, as a listed company would be considered an "insider" in relation to any proposed purchase or acquisition of its shares, the Company will undertake not to purchase or acquire Shares pursuant to the proposed Shares Purchase Mandate at any time after a price sensitive development has occurred or has been the subject of a decision until the price sensitive information has been publicly announced. In particular, the Company will not purchase or acquire any Shares during the period commencing one (1) month before the announcement of the half year and full-year financial results, and ending on the date of announcement of the relevant financial results.

## **(G) Directors' Responsibility Statement**

The Directors of the Company collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information given in this Appendix and confirm after making all reasonable enquiries that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, this Appendix constitutes full and true disclosure of all material facts about the proposed renewal of the Shares Purchase Mandate, the Company and its subsidiaries, and the Directors are not aware of any facts the omission of which would make any statement in this Appendix misleading.

Where information in the Appendix has been extracted from published or otherwise publicly available sources or obtained from a named source, the sole responsibility of the Directors has been to ensure that such information has been accurately and correctly extracted from those sources and/or reproduced in this Appendix in its proper form and context.

**(H) Directors' Recommendation**

The Directors of the Company are of the opinion that the renewal of the proposed Shares Purchase Mandate is in the best interests of the Company. Accordingly, the Directors of the Company recommend that shareholders vote in favour of Ordinary Resolution 8.

**(I) Taxation**

Shareholders who are in doubt as to their respective tax positions or any tax implications, or who may be subject to tax in a jurisdiction outside Singapore, should consult their own professional tax advisers.

**(J) Documents For Inspection**

Copies of the following documents may be inspected at the registered office of the Company at 77 Robinson Road, #06-03 Robinson 77, Singapore 068896 during normal business hours up to and including the date of the Annual General Meeting:

- (a) the Constitution of the Company; and
- (b) the audited financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

**(K) Compliance With Governing Laws, Regulations And The Constitution**

The Company confirms that the terms of the Shares Purchase Mandate in the Appendix do not contravene any laws and regulations governing the Company and the Constitution of the Company.

## **ANNEX A**

### **GUIDELINES ON SHARES PURCHASES**

#### **1. Shareholders' Approval**

- (a) Purchases of Shares by the Company must be approved in advance by the Shareholders at a general meeting of the Company, by way of a general mandate.
- (b) A general mandate authorising the purchase of Shares by the Company representing up to ten per cent. (10%) of the issued ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (excluding any Shares held as Treasury Shares and subsidiary holdings) will expire on the earlier of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; or
  - (iii) the time when such mandate is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders of the Company in general meeting.
- (c) The authority conferred on the Directors by the Shares Purchase Mandate to purchase Shares shall be renewed at the next annual general meeting of the Company.
- (d) When seeking Shareholders' approval for the renewal of the Shares Purchase Mandate, the Company shall disclose details pertaining to the purchases of Shares made during the previous twelve (12) months, including the total number of Shares purchased, the purchase price per Share or the highest and lowest price for such purchases of Shares, where relevant, and the total consideration paid for such purchases.

#### **2. Mode Of Purchase**

Shares Purchases can be effected by the Company in either one of the following two (2) ways or both:

- (a) by way of market purchases of Shares on the Official List of SGX-ST, which means a purchase transacted through the ready market; or
- (b) by way of off-market acquisitions on an equal access scheme in accordance with Section 76C of the Act.

#### **3. Funding Of Shares Purchases**

- (a) In purchasing the Shares, the Company may only apply funds legally permitted for such purchase in accordance with its Constitution, and the relevant laws and regulations enacted or prescribed by the relevant competent authorities in Singapore.
- (b) Any purchase by the Company may be made out of capital or profits that are available for distribution as dividends, so long as the Company is solvent (as defined by Section 76F(4) of the Act).
- (c) The Company may not purchase its Shares on the Official List of SGX-ST for a consideration other than cash or for settlement otherwise than in accordance with the trading rules of the SGX-ST.

#### 4. Trading Restrictions

- (a) Subject to paragraph 4(b) below, the number of Shares which can be purchased pursuant to the Shares Purchase Mandate is such number of Shares which represents up to a maximum of ten per cent. (10%) of the issued ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (excluding Treasury Shares and subsidiary holdings) as at date of the last annual general meeting of the Company.
- (b) The Company should seek approval to buy back the maximum number of shares which do not result in the public float falling below 10%. If the Company wishes to seek approval for the full share buyback limit of 10% (which will result in the public float falling below 10%), the Company should disclose its rationale for doing so.

#### 5. Price Restrictions

Any Shares Purchase undertaken by the Company shall be at the price of up to but not exceeding the Maximum Price.

**“Maximum Price”** means the maximum price at which the Shares can be purchased pursuant to the Shares Purchase Mandate, which shall not exceed the sum constituting five per cent. (5%) above the average closing price of the Shares over the period of five (5) market days in which transactions in the Shares on the SGX-ST were recorded, in the case of a Market Purchase, before the day on which such purchase is made, and, in the case of an Off-Market Purchase, immediately preceding the date of offer by the Company, as the case may be, and deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs during the relevant five (5) day period and the day on which the purchase are made.

#### 6. Off-Market Purchases

- (a) For purchases of Shares made by way of an Off-Market Purchase, the Company shall issue an offer document to all Shareholders. The offer document shall contain, *inter alia*, the following information:
  - (i) the terms and conditions of the offer;
  - (ii) the period and procedures for acceptances;
  - (iii) the reasons for the proposed Shares Purchase;
  - (iv) the consequences, if any, of Shares purchased by the Company that will arise under the Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers or any other applicable take-over rules;
  - (v) whether the purchase of Shares, if made, would have any effect on the listing of the Company’s securities on the Official List of SGX-ST;
  - (vi) details of any purchase of Shares made by the Company in the previous twelve (12) months whether through Market Purchases or Off-Market Purchases, including the total number of Shares purchased, the purchase price per Share or the highest and lowest prices paid for such purchases of Shares, where relevant, and the total consideration paid for such purchases; and
  - (vii) whether the Shares purchased by the Company will be cancelled or kept as Treasury Shares.

- (b) All Offeree Shareholders shall be given a reasonable opportunity to accept any offer made by the Company to purchase their Shares under the Shares Purchase Mandate.
- (c) The Company may offer to purchase Shares from time to time under the Shares Purchase Mandate subject to the requirement that the terms of any offer to purchase Shares by the Company shall be ranked *pari passu* in respect of all Offeree Shareholders save under the following circumstances:
  - (i) where there are differences in consideration attributable to the fact that an offer relates to Shares with different accrued dividend entitlements;
  - (ii) where there are differences in consideration attributable to the fact that an offer relates to Shares with different amounts remaining unpaid; and
  - (iii) where there are differences in an offer introduced solely to ensure that every Shareholder is left with a whole number of Shares in board lots of 100 Shares after the Shares Purchases, in the event there are Offeree Shareholders holding odd number of Shares.

## 7. Status Of Purchased Shares

The purchased Shares may be:

- (a) held by the Company; or
- (b) dealt with, at any time, in accordance with Section 76K of the Act, as Treasury Shares.

Section 76K of the Act allows the Company to:

- (i) sell the Treasury Shares (or any of them) for cash;
- (ii) transfer the Treasury Shares (or any of them) for the purposes of or pursuant to any share scheme of the Company, whether for employees, Directors or other persons;
- (iii) transfer the Treasury Shares (or any of them) as consideration for the acquisition of shares in or assets of another company or assets of a person;
- (iv) cancel the Treasury Shares (or any of them); or
- (v) sell, transfer or otherwise use the Treasury Shares for such other purposes as may be prescribed by the Minister for Finance.

The aggregate number of Shares held as Treasury Shares shall not at any time exceed ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of Shares at that time. Any Treasury Shares in excess of this limit shall be disposed of or cancelled in accordance with Section 76K of the Act within six (6) months after the limit is first exceeded, or such further period as may be allowed by ACRA.

Under the Act, where Shares purchased or acquired by the Company are cancelled, the Company shall:

- (i) reduce the amount of the issued shares in the capital of the Company where the Shares were purchased or acquired out of the capital of the Company;

- (ii) reduce the amount of the Company's profits where the Shares were purchased or acquired out of the profits of the Company; or
- (iii) reduce the amount of the Company's share capital and profits proportionately where the Shares were purchased or acquired out of both the capital and the profits of the Company;

by the total amount of the purchase price paid by the Company for the Shares cancelled.

The Company cannot exercise any right in respect of Treasury Shares. In particular, the Company cannot exercise any right to attend or vote at meetings and for the purposes of the Act, the Company shall be treated as having no right to vote and the Treasury Shares will be treated as having no voting rights.

In addition, no dividend may be paid, and no other distribution (whether in cash or otherwise) of the Company's assets (including any distribution of assets to members of the Company on winding up) may be made, to the Company in respect of Treasury Shares. However, the allotment of Shares as fully paid bonus shares in respect of Treasury Shares is allowed. Also, a subdivision or consolidation of any Treasury Shares into Treasury Shares of a greater or smaller number is allowed so long as the total value of the Treasury Shares after the subdivision or consolidation is the same as before.

## **8. Notification To ACRA**

- (a) Within thirty (30) days of the passing of a Shareholders' resolution to approve any purchase of Shares, the Company shall lodge a copy of such resolution with ACRA.
- (b) The Company shall notify ACRA within thirty (30) days of a purchase of Shares. Such notification shall include details of the date of the purchase, the total number of Shares purchased by the Company, the number of Shares cancelled, the number of Shares held as Treasury Shares, the Company's issued share capital before the purchase, the Company's issued share capital after the purchase, the amount of consideration paid by the Company for the purchase, whether the Shares were purchased out of profits or the capital of the Company and such other particulars as may be required by ACRA.

## **9. Notification To SGX-ST**

- (a) For purchases of Shares made by way of an Off-Market Purchase, the Company shall notify the SGX-ST in respect of any acquisition or purchase of Shares in the relevant form prescribed by the SGX-ST from time to time, not later than 9.00 a.m. on the second market day after the close of acceptances of an offer, or within such time period that may be prescribed by the SGX-ST from time to time.
- (b) For purchases of Shares made by way of a Market Purchase, the Company shall notify the SGX-ST in respect of any acquisition or purchase of Shares in the relevant form prescribed by the SGX-ST from time to time, not later than 9.00 a.m. on the market day following the date of market acquisition by the Company, or within such time period that may be prescribed by the SGX-ST from time to time.

## **10. Suspension Of Purchase**

- (a) The Company may not undertake any Shares Purchase prior to the announcement of any price-sensitive information by the Company, until such time as the price sensitive information has been publicly announced or disseminated in accordance with the requirements of the Listing Manual.

- (b) The Company may not effect any repurchases of Shares on the SGX-ST during the period commencing two weeks before the announcement of the Company's financial statements for each of the first three quarters of its financial year and one month before the announcements of the Company's full year financial statements (if required to announce quarterly financial statements), or one month before half year and financial year (if not required to announce quarterly financial statements), as the case may be, and ending on the date of announcement of the relevant results.

