

## Press Release

### **T T J's 1HFY2021 net attributable profit increases 19% to S\$1.6 million**

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- Order book remains healthy at S\$148 million

*Financial highlights for the 6 months ended 31 January:*

<b>(S\$m)</b>	<b>1HFY2021</b>	<b>1HFY2020</b>	<b>Chg (%)</b>
Revenue	23.1	42.4	(45)
Gross profit	2.0	6.2	(68)
Gross profit margin (%)	8.6	14.5	(5.9) points
Profit before tax	2.5	2.2	13
Net profit attributable to shareholders	1.6	1.4	19
Earnings per share (cts)	0.46	0.39	18

**Singapore, 5 March 2021** – T T J Holdings Limited (“T T J” or together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”), one of Singapore’s largest structural steel specialists, reported a 19% increase in net attributable profit to S\$1.6 million for the six-month period ended 31 January 2021 (“1HFY2021”) from S\$1.4 million a year ago. Earnings per share increased from 0.39 Singapore cents to 0.46 Singapore cents in 1HFY2021.

This was achieved despite a decrease in revenue from S\$42.4 million in 1HFY2020 to S\$23.1 million in 1HFY2021, largely impacted by a slowdown in construction activity in Singapore and manpower disruptions arising from measures to curb the spread of COVID-19. As a result, revenue from the structural steel business decreased.

At the same time, no revenue was generated for the waste management and treatment business because the Group had temporarily stopped operations at its Thailand factory since July 2020.

Contributing significantly to the Group’s net attributable profit is a marked increase in its other income and gains from S\$0.5 million in 1HFY2020 to S\$4.0 million in 1HFY2021. This

was mainly due to a reversal of custom import duty and goods and services tax and increases in government grants received and sales of scrap.

Gross profit margin dipped from 14.5% in 1HFY2020 to 8.6% in 1HFY2021, as the Group's projects executed in 1HFY2020 generated higher gross margins.

Said T T J's Chairman and Managing Director, Mr Teo Hock Chwee (张福水): "T T J is on a gradual recovery track following the restarting of all our local construction projects. This is bolstered by an expected recovery in construction demand and cautious optimism around a global recovery from the pandemic and its related macroeconomic effects, contingent on the successful implementation of the COVID-19 vaccination plans. Nevertheless, we will continue to be vigilant about potential headwinds ahead in the form of a resurgence of the COVID-19 infection, economic risks and increasing competition in our industry. Meanwhile, with a healthy order book and a strong cash position, the Group remains focussed delivering high quality work and on keeping up a steady and sustainable recovery momentum."

According to the Building and Construction Authority ("**BCA**"), total construction demand in Singapore is projected to recover to between S\$23 billion and S\$28 billion in 2021<sup>1</sup> with the public sector contributing about 65% of total demand. Stronger demand is anticipated for public housing and infrastructure projects such as the Jurong Region MRT Line, the Cross Island MRT Line Phase 1 and the Deep Tunnel Sewerage System Phase 2. Private sector construction demand, projected to range between S\$8 billion and S\$10 billion, will be supported by projects such as the redevelopment of en-bloc sale sites, retrofitting of commercial developments and construction of high-specification industrial buildings. Construction demand in the medium term, between 2022 and 2025, is projected to reach between S\$25 billion to S\$32 billion, similarly led by public sector demand.

As of 5 March 2021, the Group's order book remains healthy at S\$148 million which is expected to be substantially completed between FY2021 and FY2022. The Group continues to receive a mix of project enquiries from the public and private sectors.

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<sup>1</sup> BCA, Media Release "Public Sector Construction Demand to Support the Sector's Recovery" dated 18 January 2021

### **About T T J Holdings Limited**

With a history that can be traced back to 1981, T T J is widely known as one of the largest structural steel fabricators based in Singapore with a current combined annual maximum production capacity of 42,000 tonnes of normal steel structure at its fabrication facilities located in Singapore and Johor, Malaysia. The Group's core business lies in the design, supply, fabrication, and erection of a wide spectrum of structural steelworks for use in the construction of buildings, factories, plants, and infrastructure. Since 1 April 2010, T T J is listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Stock Exchange. For more information, please visit <http://www.ttj.com.sg/>.

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