



# THE HOUR GLASS THE HOUR GLASS LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)  
(Co. Reg. No. 197901972D)

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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the 35th Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at Grand Park Orchard, Orchard Room, Level 4, 270 Orchard Road, Singapore 238857, on Wednesday, 23 July 2014 at 10.00 a.m. to transact the following business:

### AS ORDINARY BUSINESS:

1. To receive the Directors' Report, Auditors' Report and Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2014.
2. To approve the payment of a First and Final Dividend of 6.00 cents per ordinary share (one-tier) for the financial year ended 31 March 2014.
3. (a) To re-appoint Dr Henry Tay Yun Chwan, a Director who will retire under Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore, to hold office from the date of this Annual General Meeting until the next Annual General Meeting.  
  
(b) To re-elect the following Directors who retire by rotation under Article 99 of the Company's Articles of Association:
  - (i) Dato' Dr Jannie Chan Siew Lee
  - (ii) Dr Kenny Chan Swee Kheng
  - (iii) Mr Kuah Boon Wee

*(Mr Kuah Boon Wee, a member of the Company's Audit Committee, is an independent Director.)*
4. To approve Directors' fees for Non-Executive Directors of \$304,000 for the financial year ended 31 March 2014. (2013: \$284,425)
5. To re-appoint Ernst & Young LLP as Auditors and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.

### AS SPECIAL BUSINESS:

6. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

"That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore and the listing rules of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("**SGX-ST**"), authority be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company to:

  - (a) (i) issue shares in 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 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 50% of the total number of issued shares, excluding treasury shares, in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of shares to be issued other than on a *pro rata* basis to shareholders of the Company (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares, excluding treasury shares, in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);
- (2) (subject to such manner of calculation as may be prescribed by the SGX-ST) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the total number of issued shares, excluding treasury shares, shall be based on the total number of issued shares, excluding treasury shares, in the capital of the Company at the time that this Resolution is passed, after adjusting for:
  - (i) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or share options or vesting of share awards that are outstanding or subsisting at the time this Resolution is passed; and
  - (ii) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares;
- (3) in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Articles of Association for the time being of the Company; and
- (4) (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.”

7. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

“That:

- (a) for the purposes of Sections 76C and 76E of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore (the “**Companies Act**”), the exercise by the Directors of the Company of all the powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire issued ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (“**Shares**”) not exceeding in aggregate the Prescribed Limit (as hereafter defined), at such price or prices as may be determined by the Directors from time to time up to the Maximum Price (as hereafter 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 schemes as may be determined or formulated by the Directors as they consider fit, which schemes 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 may be exercised by the Directors at any time and from time to time during the period commencing from the passing of this Resolution and expiring on the earlier of:

(i) the date on which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is held or required by law to be held; or

(ii) the date on which purchases or acquisitions of Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate are carried out to the full extent mandated;

(c) in this Resolution:

“**Prescribed Limit**” means that number of issued Shares representing 10% of the issued Shares as at the date of the passing of this Resolution (excluding any Shares which are held as treasury shares); 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; and

(ii) in the case of an Off-Market Purchase, 110% of the Average Closing Price,

where:

“**Average Closing Price**” means the average of the closing market prices of a Share over the last 5 Market Days on which Shares were transacted on the SGX-ST immediately preceding the date of making the Market Purchase by the Company, or, as the case may be, the date of making the offer pursuant to the Off-Market Purchase, as deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs after the relevant 5 Market Day period;

“**date of the making of the offer**” means the day on which the Company makes an offer for the purchase of Shares from shareholders 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**

**Christine Chan**  
**Company Secretary**

**3 July 2014**  
**Singapore**

Notes:

1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint one or two proxies to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. The instrument appointing a proxy must be lodged at the registered office of the Company at 302 Orchard Road #11-01, Tong Building, Singapore 238862 not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the Annual General Meeting.

Personal data privacy:

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents) for the purpose of the processing and administration by the Company (or its agents) of proxies and representatives appointed for the Annual General Meeting (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the Annual General Meeting (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "**Purposes**"), (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the member will indemnify the Company in respect of any penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the member's breach of warranty.

Additional information on items of ordinary and special business

- Item 3 Key information on the Directors to be re-appointed/re-elected is set out in the "Board of Directors" section of the Annual Report 2014.*
- Item 6 This Ordinary Resolution is to empower the Directors, effective up to the date of the next Annual General Meeting, to issue shares in the Company and to make or grant instruments (such as warrants or debentures) convertible into shares, and to issue shares in pursuance of such instruments, for such purposes as they consider would be in the interests of the Company, up to a number not exceeding in aggregate 50% of the issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company, of which up to 20% may be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders. For the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued, the total number of issued shares, excluding treasury shares, will be calculated based on the total number of issued shares, excluding treasury shares, in the capital of the Company at the time that this Resolution is passed, after adjusting for the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities and share options or vesting of share awards that have been issued or granted (provided the options or awards were granted in compliance with Part VIII of Chapter 8 of the Listing Manual) and which are outstanding or subsisting at the time that this Resolution is passed, and any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares.*
- Item 7 This Ordinary Resolution is to renew, effective until the next Annual General Meeting, the Share Purchase Mandate for the Company to make purchases or acquisitions of its issued ordinary shares. The Company intends to use internal sources of funds, external borrowings, or a combination of internal resources and external borrowings, to finance purchases or acquisitions of its shares. For illustrative purposes only, the financial effects of an assumed purchase or acquisition by the Company, of 10% of its issued ordinary shares as at 9 June 2014, at a purchase price equivalent to the Maximum Price per share, in the case of a Market Purchase and an Off-Market Purchase respectively, based on the audited financial statements of the Group and the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2014, and certain other assumptions, are set out in the Company's letter to shareholders dated 3 July 2014 accompanying this Notice of Annual General Meeting.*