

**EXTENSION OF TIME FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR  
THIRD QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2017**

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**1. Introduction**

Pursuant to Rule 705(2) of the Listing Manual (the "**Listing Manual**") of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "**SGX-ST**"), Cogent Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") is required to announce its financial results for the third quarter ended 30 September 2017 (the "**3Q2017 Financial Results**") no later than 45 days after 30 September 2017 (i.e. by 14 November 2017).

The board of directors of the Company (the "**Board**") wishes to inform its shareholders that the Company had submitted an application to the SGX-ST (the "**Extension Application**") for an extension of time to announce the 3Q2017 Financial Results from 14 November 2017 to 8 December 2017 (the "**Extension**"). The outcome of the Extension Application is set out in paragraph 3 below.

**2. Reasons for submission of the Extension Application**

The Company's reasons for seeking the Extension under Rule 705(2) of the Listing Manual are as follows:

- (a) On 3 November 2017, COSCO SHIPPING International (Singapore) Co., Ltd. (the "**Offeror**") announced (the "**Offer Announcement**") its intention to make a voluntary conditional cash offer (the "**Offer**") for all the issued ordinary shares (the "**Shares**") in the capital of the Company, including all Shares owned, controlled or agreed to be acquired by parties acting or deemed to be acting in concert with the Offeror.
- (b) Pursuant to Rule 25.6(c) of The Singapore Code on Take-Overs and Mergers (the "**Code**"), any unaudited profit figures published by an offeree company during an offer period, in cases where the offer has not been publicly recommended by the board of the offeree company, must be reported on by the auditor or reporting accountant and financial adviser of the offeree company in accordance with the Code (each, a "**Rule 25 Report**"), with the Rule 25 Reports being released together with the announcement of the 3Q2017 Financial Results as required under Rule 25.4 of the Code.
- (c) Following the issue of the Offer Announcement, the Company is in the process of appointing an independent financial adviser ("**IFA**") to advise the Board on the recommendation to shareholders of the Company ("**Shareholders**") in respect of the Offer.
- (d) In order to give its auditors and the IFA (which the Company is in the process of appointing) sufficient time to review and prepare the respective Rule 25 Reports, and

if applicable to also allow the Company to avail itself of the exemption under Rule 25.6(c)(iii) of the Code, the Company submitted the Extension Application.

### **3. The SGX-ST's response on the Extension Application**

On 9 November 2017, the SGX-ST advised that based on the Company's submissions and representations to the SGX-ST, the SGX-ST has no objection to the Company's application for extension of up to 8 December 2017 to announce its 3Q2017 Financial Results in compliance with Rule 705(2) of the Listing Manual, subject to the following:

- (a) the Company announcing the period of extension granted, the reasons for seeking the extension of time and the conditions as required under Rule 107 of the Listing Manual;
- (b) submission of a written confirmation from the Company that the waiver does not contravene any laws and regulations governing the Company and the constitution of the Company; and
- (c) submission of a written confirmation from the Company that it is not aware of any information that will have a material bearing on investors' decisions which has yet to be announced by the Company.

The Company considers the condition described in paragraph 3(a) above to be complied with by the making of this Announcement and the Company had submitted the written confirmations to the SGX-ST as required under paragraphs 3(b) and 3(c) above.

### **4. Responsibility Statement**

The directors of the Company (including any who may have delegated detailed supervision of this Announcement) have taken all reasonable care to ensure that the facts stated and all opinions expressed in this Announcement (other than those relating to the Offeror) are fair and accurate, and that there are no material facts not contained in this Announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this Announcement misleading.

Where any information has been extracted or reproduced from published or otherwise publicly available sources (including, without limitation, the Offer Announcement), the sole responsibility of the directors of the Company has been to ensure through reasonable enquiries that such information has been accurately extracted from such sources or, as the case may be, reflected or reproduced in this Announcement.

The directors of the Company jointly and severally accept responsibility accordingly.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

#### **COGENT HOLDINGS LIMITED**

Tan Min Cheow, Benson  
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer  
10 November 2017