

Company Announcement



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BOUSTEAD PURCHASES ADDITIONAL 12,951,730 OR 12.58% ORDINARY SHARES IN SALCON LIMITED

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The Board of Directors of Boustead Singapore Limited ("Boustead" or the "Company") wishes to announce that the Company has today acquired an additional 12,951,730 ordinary shares in its subsidiary, Salcon Limited ("Salcon"), at a price of S\$0.20 per ordinary share for a total cash consideration of S\$2,590,346 (the "Acquisition"). The 12,951,730 shares were acquired from existing shareholders of Salcon and represent 12.58% of the issued share capital of Salcon. The consideration was arrived at after arm's length negotiations and is on a willing buyer-willing seller basis.

As a result of the Acquisition, the Company's stake in Salcon has been increased to 79.17%.

The Acquisition is not expected to have any material impact on the consolidated net tangible asset value per share and the earnings per share of the Company for the current financial year.

None of the Directors or controlling shareholders of the Company has any interest, direct or indirect, in the Acquisition.