BOUSTEAD SINGAPORE LIMITED AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES



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UNAUDITED RESULTS FOR HALF-YEAR FY2008 ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2007



BOUSTEAD SINGAPORE LIMITED

(Company Registration No. 197501036K)

Unaudited Half-Year Financial Statement And Dividend Announcement for the Financial Period Ended 30 September 2007

PART I - INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF QUARTERLY (Q1, Q2 & Q3), HALF-YEAR AND FULL-YEAR RESULTS

1(a) An income statement (for the group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

| | GROUP | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| | Note | 30.9.07 \$'000 | 30.9.06 \$'000 | Inc/(Dcr) % | | | |
| Revenue | | 206,179 | 139,717 | 47.6 | | | |
| Cost of sales | | (145,565) | (95,865) | 51.8 | | | |
| Gross profit | | 60,614 | 43,852 | 38.2 | | | |
| Other operating income | 1 | 9,225 | 4,114 | 124.2 | | | |
| Selling and distribution expenses | | (11,542) | (11,339) | 1.8 | | | |
| Administrative expenses | | (17,848) | (15,642) | 14.1 | | | |
| Other operating expenses | | (5,171) | (5,326) | (2.9) | | | |
| Finance costs | | (499) | (658) | (24.2) | | | |
| Share of results from associate | | (207) | (70) | 195.7 | | | |
| Profit before income tax | 2 | 34,572 | 14,931 | 131.5 | | | |
| Income tax expense | 3 | (5,368) | (5,325) | 0.8 | | | |
| Profit for the period | | 29,204 | 9,606 | 204.0 | | | |

| Attributable to: | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Shareholders of the Company | 25,977 | 7,938 | 227.2 |
| Minority interests | 3,227 | 1,668 | 93.5 |
| | 29,204 | 9,606 | 204.0 |

| | GROUP | | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| | 30.9.07 \$'000 | 30.9.06 \$'000 | |
| | | | |
| Note 1: Other operating income | | | |
| Interest income | 1,863 | 1,647 | |
| Other rental income | 883 | 762 | |
| Gain on disposal of assets held for sale | 6,479 | - | |
| Foreign currency exchange adjustment gain | - | 1,705 | |
| | 9,225 | 4,114 | |
| | | | |
| Note 2 : The profit before income tax is arrived at after (charging)/ crediting the following: | | | |
| Depreciation expense | (1,816) | (1,953) | |
| Amortisation expense | (15) | (90) | |
| Allowance for doubtful receivables | (123) | (363) | |
| Goodwill written off | - | (21) | |
| Other investments written off | - | (61) | |
| Loss on disposal of assets held for sale | - | (708) | |
| Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 10 | 11 | |
| | | | |
| Note 3: Income tax | | | |
| Over provision in prior years | 2,093 | 74 | |

The provision for income tax is made after taking into account non-deductible expenses and temporary differences and based on the statutory tax rates of the respective countries. For the current period, the Group's income tax expense varied from the amount of income tax expense determined by applying the Singapore income tax rate of 18% mainly due to certain expenses which are not deductible for tax purposes and overseas subsidiaries' profits which are subject to higher tax rates. There is a write-back of tax provision of a conservative amount of \$2.09 million (30.9.06: \$74,000) in respect of previous years.

1(b)(i) A balance sheet (for the issuer and group), together with a comparative statement as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year.

Balance Sheets

| | | Group | | Com | pany |
|---|------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|---------|
| | | 30.9.07 | 31.3.07 | 30.9.07 | 31.3.07 |
| | Note | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| <u>ASSETS</u> | | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and bank balances | | 129,260 | 121,142 | 28,146 | 23,084 |
| Trade receivables | | 108,408 | 83,492 | - | _ |
| Other receivables and prepayments | | 28,877 | 24,033 | 15,400 | 5,926 |
| Loans to subsidiaries | | - | - | 21,750 | 22,932 |
| Inventories | | 7,625 | 5,382 | - | - |
| Properties held for sale | | 2,316 | 3,259 | - | - |
| Costs and recognised profits on uncompleted | | 45.070 | 4.000 | | |
| contracts in excess of billings | | 15,079 | 4,269 | - | - |
| Assets held for sale | | - | 5,963 | - | - |
| Total current assets | | 291,565 | 247,540 | 65,296 | 51,942 |
| Non-current assets: | | | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | 42,382 | 38,809 | - | - |
| Goodwill | | 51 | 51 | - | - |
| Other intangible assets | | 133 | 147 | 30 | 30 |
| Investments in associates | | 17,973 | 15,486 | 18,542 | 15,535 |
| Investments in subsidiaries | | 4.050 | 4 004 | 67,340 | 64,970 |
| Available-for-sale investments Deferred tax assets | | 1,956 | 1,924 | 7 | 7 |
| | | 1,734 | 1,648 | 05.040 | 00.540 |
| Total non-current assets | | 64,229 | 58,065 | 85,919 | 80,542 |
| Total assets | | 355,794 | 305,605 | 151,215 | 132,484 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | | |
| Bank loans and overdrafts | 1(b)(ii) | 7,160 | 3,812 | - | - |
| Trade and other payables | | 143,558 | 103,466 | 315 | 442 |
| Derivative financial instruments | | - | 292 | - | - |
| Loans from subsidiaries | | - | - | 69,323 | 49,090 |
| Billings in excess of costs and recognised profits | | 4 0 4 0 | 0.400 | | |
| on uncompleted contracts Income tax payable | | 4,346 16,539 | 6,462 19,783 | - | - |
| Liabilities associated with assets held for sale | | 10,559 | 1,810 | _ | _ |
| Total current liabilities | | 171,603 | 135,625 | 69,638 | 49,532 |
| | | 171,003 | 155,025 | 03,030 | 49,002 |
| Non-current liabilities: | 4 (1) (2) | 40.700 | 40.000 | | |
| Long-term bank loans | 1(b)(ii) | 13,706 | 16,628 | - | - |
| Deferred tax liabilities | | 229 | 233 | - | - |
| Total non-current liabilities | | 13,935 | 16,861 | - | - |
| Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company: | | | | | |
| Share capital | 1(d)(i) | 71,822 | 71,019 | 71,822 | 71,019 |
| Accumulated profits | | 83,381 | 66,844 | 9,565 | 11,818 |
| Other reserves | 1(d)(i) | (4,460) | (3,021) | 190 | 115 |
| Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company | | 150,743 | 134,842 | 81,577 | 82,952 |
| Minority interests | | 19,513 | 18,277 | _ | ,,,,,, |
| Total equity | | 170,256 | 153,119 | 81,577 | 82,952 |
| • • | | | | | |
| Total liabilities and equity | | 355,794 | 305,605 | 151,215 | 132,484 |

1(b)(ii) Aggregate amount of group's borrowings and debt securities.

| As 30.0 \$'0 | | As at 31.03.07 \$'000 | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Secured | Unsecured | Secured | Unsecured | | |
| 5,398 | 1,762 | 2,042 | 1,770 | | |

Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand

| As 30.0 \$'0 | | As at 31.03.07 \$'000 | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Secured | Unsecured | Secured | Unsecured | | |
| 13,706 | - | 16,628 | - | | |

Amount repayable after one year

An amount of \$3,350,000 (31.3.07: \$3,538,000) is secured by way of a legal mortgage on a leasehold property of a subsidiary at 63 Ubi Ave 1, 6th and 7th floor (excluding unit #07-06) of Boustead House, Singapore.

An amount of \$4,765,000 (31.3.07: \$4,765,000) is secured by way of a legal mortgage on a leasehold property of a subsidiary at 80 Alps Avenue, Singapore.

An amount of \$6,625,000 (31.3.07: \$6,875,000) is secured by way of a legal mortgage on a leasehold property of a subsidiary at 12 Changi North Way, Singapore.

An amount of \$2,333,000 (31.3.07: \$2,619,000) is secured by way of a legal mortgage on a leasehold property of a subsidiary at 40 Changi North Crescent, Singapore. The loan was repaid in October 2007 following the disposal of the property at end of September 2007.

An amount of \$2,031,000 (31.3.07: \$873,000) is secured by way of a legal mortgage on a leasehold land and building of a subsidiary at Kompleks Kawasan, Sarana Terpadu, Jalan Raya Cikarang Desa, Pasir Gombong Kec. Lemah Abang, Bekasi 17750, Indonesia.

1(c) A cash flow statement (for the group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

| | | Group | | |
|---|----------|--|-------------------|--|
| | | 30.9.07 \$'000 | 30.9.06 \$'000 | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | - + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + | + 555 | |
| Profit before income tax | | 34,572 | 14,931 | |
| Adjustments for: | | | | |
| Depreciation expense | | 1,816 | 1,953 | |
| Amortisation expense | | 15 | 90 | |
| Goodwill written off | | - | 21 | |
| Other investments written off | | - | 61 | |
| Share option expense | | 75 | 38 | |
| Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment | | (10) | (11) | |
| (Gain)/Loss on disposal of assets held for sale | | (6,479) | 708 | |
| Share of results from associate | | 207 | 70 | |
| Fair value adjustment on derivative financial instruments | | (292) | 76 | |
| Release of investments revaluation reserve | | (147) | - | |
| Interest expense | | 499 | 658 | |
| Interest income | | (1,863) | (1,647) | |
| Operating income before changes in working capital | | 28,393 | 16,948 | |
| Increase in receivables | | (32,760) | (24,662) | |
| Increase in inventories and contract work-in-progress | | (15,171) | (6,468) | |
| Increase in payables | | 40,158 | 24,077 | |
| Decrease in investment properties | | 4,272 | - | |
| Decrease in properties held for sale | | 943 | - | |
| Cash generated from operations | | 25,835 | 9,895 | |
| Interest income received | | 1,863 | 1,647 | |
| Interest expense paid | | (499) | (658) | |
| Income tax paid | | (8,702) | (6,797) | |
| Net cash from operating activities | | 18,497 | 4,087 | |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | |
| Proceeds from the disposal of property, plant and equipment | | 10 | 14 | |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | | (9,516) | (4,874) | |
| Acquisition of shares from minority shareholders | | (2,226) | (25,923) | |
| Purchase of investments | | (31) | - | |
| Net cash inflow on disposal of assets held for sale | Note (a) | 10,393 | 2,273 | |
| Net cash outflow on acquisition of a subsidiary | Note (b) | - | (190) | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | | (1,370) | (28,700) | |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | | |
| Net proceeds from issue of shares of the company | | 803 | 227 | |
| (Decrease)/Increase in short-term bank loans | | (9) | 1,942 | |
| (Repayment)/Proceeds from long-term bank loans | | (769) | 1,813 | |
| Payment of dividends to minority interests | | (911) | (536) | |
| Decrease/(Increase) in pledged fixed deposits | Note (c) | 930 | (71) | |
| Dividends paid | | (9,440) | (2,021) | |
| Net cash (used in)/from financing activities | | (9,396) | 1,354 | |
| Net effect of exchange rate changes in consolidating subsidiaries | | 348 | (826) | |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | | 8,079 | (24,085) | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | Note (c) | 119,370 | 99,651 | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | Note (c) | 127,449 | 75,566 | |
| cach and each equivalente at one of period | (0) | , . +0 | . 0,000 | |

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|------|--|---------|-------------|
| | | 30.9.07 | 30.9.06 |
| Note | es to the consolidated cash flow statement: | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| NOLE | is to the consolidated cash now statement. | | |
| (a) | Disposal of assets held for sale | | |
| | Assets held for sale | 5,963 | 3,729 |
| | Liabilities associated with assets held for sale | (1,810) | (145) |
| | | 4,153 | 3,584 |
| | Minority interests | (474) | - |
| | Gain/(Loss) on disposal | 6,479 | (708) |
| | Consideration | 10,158 | 2,876 |
| | Net cash and bank balances disposed | 235 | (603) |
| | Net cash inflow on disposal of assets held for sale | 10,393 | 2,273 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| (b) | Acquisition of a subsidiary | | |
| | | | |
| | Cash and bank balances, net of overdrafts | - | 116 |
| | Trade receivables | - | 58 |
| | Costs of uncompleted contracts in excess of billings | - | 104 |
| | Trade and other payables | - | (226) 52 |
| | Net assets acquired Goodwill | _ | 254 |
| | Goodwiii | | 306 |
| | Consideration paid in cash | _ | (306) |
| | Net cash and bank balances acquired | _ | 116 |
| | Net cash outflow on acquisition of a subsidiary | _ | (190) |
| | The cash camen on acquisition of a cascialary | | (100) |
| | | | |
| (c) | Cash and cash equivalents | | |
| | Cash and bank balances | 21,868 | 20,206 |
| | Short-term deposits | 107,392 | 63,092 |
| | Bank overdrafts | (1,811) | (1,548) |
| | | 127,449 | 81,750 |
| | Pledged short-term deposits | - | (6,184) |
| | Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 127,449 | 75,566 |

1(d)(i) A statement (for the issuer and group) showing either (i) all changes in equity or (ii) changes in equity other than those arising from capitalisation issues and distributions to shareholders, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

| | Share capital \$'000 | Accumulated profits \$'000 | Investments revaluation reserve \$'000 | Other r Share option reserve \$'000 | reserves Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000 | Sub-total \$'000 | Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company \$'000 | Minority interests \$'000 | Total equity \$'000 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------------|--|---|---|---------------------|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| GROUP | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance at 1 April 2006 | 70,360 | 37,676 | 442 | - | (1,834) | (1,392) | 106,644 | 42,104 | 148,748 |
| Exchange differences arising during the period | - | - | - | - | (1,052) | (1,052) | (1,052) | (484) | (1,536) |
| Revaluation of available-for-sale investments | - | - | 589 | - | - | 589 | 589 | - | 589 |
| Net income/(loss) recognised directly in equity | - | - | 589 | - | (1,052) | (463) | (463) | (484) | (947) |
| Net profit for the period | - | 7,938 | - | - | - | - | 7,938 | 1,668 | 9,606 |
| Total recognised income and expense for the period | - | 7,938 | 589 | - | (1,052) | (463) | 7,475 | 1,184 | 8,659 |
| Acquisition of minority interests | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (25,123) | (25,123) |
| Minority share of net dividends from subsidiaries | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (1,916) | (1,916) |
| Dividends | - | (2,021) | - | - | - | - | (2,021) | - | (2,021) |
| Share option expense | - | - | - | 38 | - | 38 | 38 | - | 38 |
| Issue of shares | 227 | - | - | - | - | - | 227 | - | 227 |
| Balance at 30 September 2006 | 70,587 | 43,593 | 1,031 | 38 | (2,886) | (1,817) | 112,363 | 16,249 | 128,612 |

| | | | (| O1 | ther reserves | |) | Equity | | |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Share capital \$'000 | Accumulated profits \$'000 | Investments revaluation reserve \$'000 | Share option reserve \$'000 | Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000 | Capital reserve \$'000 | Sub-total \$'000 | attributable to shareholders of the Company \$'000 | Minority interests \$'000 | Total equity \$'000 |
| GROUP (Cont'd) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance at 1 April 2007 | 71,019 | 66,844 | 148 | 113 | (3,282) | - | (3,021) | 134,842 | 18,277 | 153,119 |
| Exchange differences arising during the Period | _ | - | - | - | 494 | _ | 494 | 494 | (394) | 100 |
| Revaluation of available-for-sale Investments | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net income/(loss) recognised directly in equity | - | - | - | - | 494 | - | 494 | 494 | (394) | 100 |
| Net profit for the period | - | 25,977 | - | - | - | - | - | 25,977 | 3,227 | 29,204 |
| Disposal of available-for-sale investments | | | (146) | - | - | - | (146) | (146) | - | (146) |
| Total recognised income and expense for the period | - | 25,977 | (146) | - | 494 | | 348 | 26,325 | 2,833 | 29,158 |
| Acquisition of minority interests | - | - | - | - | - | (1,862) | (1,862) | (1,862) | (752) | (2,614) |
| Minority share of net dividends from subsidiaries | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (845) | (845) |
| Dividends | - | (9,440) | - | - | - | - | - | (9,440) | - | (9,440) |
| Share option expense | - | - | - | 75 | - | - | 75 | 75 | - | 75 |
| Issue of shares | 803 | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | | <u>-</u> | | | 803 | _ | 803 |
| Balance at 30 September 2007 | 71,822 | 83,381 | 2 | 188 | (2,788) | (1,862) | (4,460) | 150,743 | 19,513 | 170,256 |

| | | | | () | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| | Share capital \$'000 | Accumulated profits \$'000 | Investments revaluation reserve \$'000 | Share option reserve \$'000 | Sub-total \$'000 | Total \$'000 | | |
| COMPANY | | | | | | | | |
| Balance at 1 April 2006 | 70,360 | 524 | 442 | - | 442 | 71,326 | | |
| Revaluation of available-for-sale investments | - | - | 589 | - | 589 | 589 | | |
| Net profit for the period | - | 7,341 | - | - | - | 7,341 | | |
| Total recognised income for the period | - | 7,341 | 589 | - | 589 | 7,930 | | |
| Dividends | - | (2,021) | - | - | - | (2,021) | | |
| Share option expense | - | - | - | 38 | 38 | 38 | | |
| Issue of shares | 227 | - | - | - | - | 227 | | |
| Balance at 30 September 2006 | 70,587 | 5,844 | 1,031 | 38 | 1,069 | 77,500 | | |
| Balance at 1 April 2007 | 71,019 | 11,818 | 2 | 113 | 115 | 82,952 | | |
| Net profit for the period | - | 7,187 | - | - | - | 7,187 | | |
| Total recognised income for the period | - | 7,187 | - | - | - | 7,187 | | |
| Dividends | - | (9,440) | - | - | - | (9,440) | | |
| Share option expense | - | - | - | 75 | 75 | 75 | | |
| Issue of shares | 803 | - | - | - | - | 803 | | |
| Balance at 30 September 2007 | 71,822 | 9,565 | 2 | 188 | 190 | 81,577 | | |

1(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

During the period, the issued and paid up capital of the Company was increased from \$71,018,603 divided into 254,836,866 ordinary shares to \$71,821,470 divided into 255,827,762 ordinary shares. This is a result of the allotment of shares upon exercise of employees' share options.

As at 30 September 2007, there were unexercised options of 3,045,292 (30.9.06: 4,987,144) of unissued ordinary shares under the Boustead Share Option Scheme 2001.

2. Whether the figures have been audited or reviewed and in accordance with which auditing standard or practice.

The figures have not been audited or reviewed.

3. Where the figures have been audited or reviewed, the auditors' report (including any qualifications or emphasis of a matter).

Not applicable.

4. Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements have been applied.

The same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the most recently audited annual financial statements have been applied, except as described in paragraph 5.

5. If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for, and the effect of, the change.

The Group and the Company have adopted all the new and revised Financial Reporting Standards (FRS) effective for financial period beginning 1 April 2007. The effect of adopting all the new and revised FRSs does not have a significant impact on the results of the Group and balance sheet of the Group and the Company as of 30 September 2007.

6. Earnings per ordinary share of the group for the current financial period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting any provision for preference dividends.

| | Group | | |
|---|-----------------|------------|--|
| | 30.9.07 30.9.06 | | |
| (i) Based on weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (¢) (ii) On a fully diluted basis (¢) (detailing any adjustments made to the earnings) | 10.2 10.1 | 3.1 3.1 | |
| (detailing any adjustments made to the earnings) | | | |

The basic earnings per share ("EPS") is computed based on weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue of 255,518,297 shares (30.9.06: 253,494,243 shares). The fully diluted EPS is computed based on weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue of 258,069,455 shares (30.9.06: 256,689,316 shares) adjusted for the effects of all potential dilutive ordinary shares.

7. Net asset value (for the issuer and group) per ordinary share based on issued share capital of the issuer at the end of the current financial period reported on and immediately preceding financial year.

| Gr | oup | Com | pany |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 30.9.07 | 31.3.07 | 30.9.06 | 31.3.07 |
| | | | |
| 60 | 53 | 29 | 33 |
| | | | |

Net asset value per ordinary share based on issued share capital as at the end of the period reported on (¢)

- 8. A review of the performance of the group, to the extent necessary for a reasonable understanding of the group's business. It must include a discussion of the following:-
 - (a) any significant factors that affected the turnover, costs, and earnings of the group for the current financial period reported on, including (where applicable) seasonal or cyclical factors; and
 - (b) any material factors that affected the cash flow, working capital, assets or liabilities of the group during the current financial period reported on.

Overview

Established in 1828, the Group is a progressive global service provider of specialised engineering services and geo-spatial solutions. Its strong suite of Engineering Services is geared to fulfil the stringent demands of specialised engineering fields in:

- Energy-Related Engineering;
- Water & Wastewater Engineering; and
- Real Estate Solutions.

Under the Group's Geo-Spatial Technology arm, it provides professional services and exclusively distributes ESRI geo-spatial technology – the world's leading geographic information systems and location intelligence solutions – to major markets across Australia and South East Asia.

To date, the Group has undertaken engineering and related projects in 73 countries globally.

For 1H FY2008 ended 30 September 2007, the Group achieved revenue of \$206.2 million and net profit attributable to shareholders of \$26.0 million, an increase of 47.6% and 227.2% respectively over the previous corresponding period.

Segment Revenue

| Segment | 1H FY2008 | 1H FY2007 | Change |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | \$m | \$m | % |
| Engineering Services | 172.0 | 106.9 | 60.9 |
| Geo-Spatial Technology | 32.2 | 30.8 | 4.5 |
| Investment Activities | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| Group Total | 206.2 | 139.7 | 47.6 |

The Group's excellent revenue performance was boosted by the strong revenue contribution of Engineering Services, which rose 60.9% to reach \$172.0 million. Geo-Spatial Technology expanded at 4.5%.

Engineering Services Revenue

| Engineering Services | 1H FY2008 | 1H FY2007 | Change |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | \$m | \$m | % |
| Energy-Related Engineering | 65.7 | 48.1 | 36.6 |
| Water & Wastewater Engineering | 16.0 | 7.5 | 113.3 |
| Real Estate Solutions | 90.3 | 51.3 | 76.0 |
| Engineering Services Total | 172.0 | 106.9 | 60.9 |

A review of the revenue performance for each Engineering Services division is provided below.

With record high global oil prices, the Energy-Related Engineering Division achieved strong revenue growth in 1H FY2008. The division recorded revenue of \$65.7 million, an increase of 36.6% over the previous corresponding period. Global demand for the division's engineering services in the upstream and downstream oil & gas/petrochemical industries remained firm and fundamentally driven, with several key contract awards in Africa, China, Europe, the Middle East, South America, South Asia and South East Asia.

The Water & Wastewater Engineering Division recorded revenue of \$16.0 million in 1H FY2008, growing by 113.3%. Although the division had an improved revenue contribution, the high growth rate was attributed to: 1) significant order book backlog from FY2007; and 2) the historically low revenue base of the previous corresponding period. The business environment in the industry remained highly competitive and uncertain due to low barriers to entry.

The Real Estate Solutions Division continued to grow strongly in 1H FY2008, supported by the sustained upturn of the Singapore construction industry. Contributing 52.5% of the revenue under Engineering Services, the division delivered revenue of \$90.3 million, an increase of 76.0%. During the period, the division secured several sizeable contracts including two industrial leasehold property contracts from clients, Berg Propulsion and Panalpina. The division also concluded a \$12.4 million sale of an industrial leasehold property in Singapore. Stripping out the industrial leasehold property sale from 1H FY2008 (for direct comparison to 1H FY2007), the division's revenue from core turnkey design and build activities grew 51.9%.

On a separate note, the Real Estate Solutions Division was awarded the Group's largest contract to date to design and build a \$\$300 million equivalent new township in Libya, together with Libya's largest government construction company. The Group holds a 65% interest in the contract. No revenue was recognised from this contract in 1H FY2008.

Geo-Spatial Technology

In 1H FY2008, Geo-Spatial Technology registered steady, albeit, marginally slower revenue growth of 4.5%. The Australian and Singapore business units continued to implement a wider range of value-added professional services to increase client retention and decrease reliance on revenue generated from distribution services.

Profitability

In 1H FY2008, "Gross profit" increased by 38.2% to \$60.6 million. Gross profit margin declined from 31.4% in 1H FY2007 to 29.4% in 1H FY2008, largely due to increased project execution costs under the Water & Wastewater Engineering Division.

With the profit contribution from the sale of an industrial leasehold property in Singapore of \$8.1 million and the sale of a property in the UK of \$6.3 million, "Profit before income tax" rose to \$34.6 million, an increase of 131.5%.

"Profit for the period" rose 204.0%. The improvement included a \$2.1 million write-back of an overprovision in income tax made previously.

The Group achieved net profit attributable to shareholders of \$26.0 million, up 227.2% over the previous corresponding period.

Based on the financial performance achieved in 1H FY2008, the Directors have proposed an interim tax-exempt cash dividend of 3.0 cents per ordinary share. This represents a 50% increase over the gross cash dividend declared and paid for the previous corresponding period.

Cash Flow & Balance Sheets

The Group continued to generate healthy cash flows from operating activities of \$18.5 million. The major increase in "Cash and cash equivalents at end of period" from \$119.4 million in FY2007 to \$127.5 million in 1H FY2008 was due to: 1) strong cash flows from operating activities; and 2) the sale of the property in the UK. As the \$12.4 million sale of the industrial leasehold property in Singapore was concluded on the last business day of 1H FY2008, its positive cash flow impact has been deferred to 2H FY2008.

On the Balance Sheets, the 17.8% rise in "Current assets" was due to the \$8.1 million increase in "Cash and bank balances", and significant increases in "Trade receivables" (including the \$12.4 million receivable from the sale of the Singapore industrial leasehold property), "Other receivables and prepayments" and "Costs and recognised profits on uncompleted contracts in excess of billings", which rose correspondingly with strong revenue growth. Similarly, the large increase in "Trade and other payables" can be explained by strong revenue growth.

9. Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results.

None.

10. A commentary at the date of the announcement of the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months.

Moving forward in 2H FY2008, demand for the Group's specialised engineering services and geospatial technology remains buoyant.

The outlook for the Energy-Related Engineering Division is expected to remain positive with continued high global oil prices. The Group is confident of securing more medium to large contracts in 2H FY2008, some of which are currently under negotiation.

The Water & Wastewater Engineering Division will continue to bid for industrial and municipal projects in key markets including the Middle East, North Africa and South East Asia. However, the business environment for the industry is expected to remain highly competitive. Despite the significant improvement in revenue in 1H FY2008, management does not expect to achieve the turnaround of the division in FY2008 as originally anticipated due to delays in the negotiation process for a number of sizeable contracts. Current R&D initiatives and the implementation of new technologies may pave the way for the division to attain a stronger competitive edge in a congested market.

The sustained upturn in the Singapore construction industry will create more opportunities for the Real Estate Solutions Division to secure more new contracts. In addition, the new township development in Libya has commenced and will contribute to revenue and net profit in 2H FY2008. However, positive material impact is only expected from FY2009 onwards.

It is anticipated that Geo-Spatial Technology will deliver a slightly better 2H FY2008 revenue performance in Australia and South East Asia.

With a current Group order book exceeding \$490 million, the Group is confident of improving on its performance in FY2008 over the previous year.

11. Dividend

(a) Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend declared for the current financial period reported on? Yes.

| Name of Dividend | Interim | |
|------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Dividend Type | Cash | |
| Dividend Rate | 3.0 cents per ordinary share | |
| Tax rate | Tax Exempt (1-tier) | |

(b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

Any dividend declared for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year? Yes.

| Name of Dividend | Interim | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Dividend Type | Cash | |
| Dividend amount per share (in cents) | 2.0 cents per ordinary share less tax | |
| Tax rate | 20% | |

(c) Date payable

18 December 2007.

(d) Books closure date

Notice is hereby given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed on 4 December 2007 for the purpose of determining shareholders' entitlements to the final dividend to be paid on 18 December 2007.

Duly completed transfers received by the Company's Registrar, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte. Ltd. at 3 Church Street, #08-01 Samsung Hub, Singapore 049483 up to 5.00 p.m. on 3 December 2007 will be registered before entitlements to the dividend are determined.

12. If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect.

Not applicable.

13. Confirmation by the Board

We, Wong Fong Fui and Loh Kai Keong, being two directors of Boustead Singapore Limited (the "Company"), do hereby confirm on behalf of the directors of the Company that, to the best of their knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the board of directors of the Company which may render the financial results for the half-year ended 30 September 2007 to be false or misleading.

On behalf of the board of directors

WONG FONG FUI Chairman

LOH KAI KEONG Director

14 November 2007