# Company Announcement



Boustead Singapore Limited (Co. Reg. No. 197501036K)

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PROPOSED DEMERGER OF REAL ESTATE SOLUTIONS
BUSINESS THROUGH DIVIDEND IN SPECIE OF
APPROXIMATELY (BUT NOT EXCEEDING) 49.0% OF
ISSUED SHARES IN BOUSTEAD PROJECTS LIMITED TO
SHAREHOLDERS AND PROPOSED LISTING OF BOUSTEAD
PROJECTS LIMITED ON MAIN BOARD OF THE SINGAPORE
EXCHANGE SECURITIES TRADING LIMITED BY WAY OF
INTRODUCTION – DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR, NOTICE
OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING AND
INTRODUCTORY DOCUMENT

## Singapore, 31 March 2015

Unless otherwise defined, all capitalised terms and references used in this announcement shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the circular to shareholders dated 31 March 2015 in relation to the proposed demerger of the real estate solutions business through the dividend in specie of approximately (but not exceeding) 49.0% of the issued shares in Boustead Projects Limited to shareholders and the proposed listing of Boustead Projects Limited on the Main Board of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited by way of an introduction.

## 1. Despatch of Circular and Introductory Document

Further to the announcements by Boustead Singapore Limited (the "Company") dated 23 December 2014 and 25 March 2015, the Board of Directors of the Company wishes to announce that it has despatched the following documents today to the shareholders of the Company ("Shareholders"):

a) a circular to Shareholders dated 31 March 2015 ("Circular") containing, inter alia, a notice to convene an extraordinary general meeting of the Company ("EGM") to be held at Frankel Room, Level 3, Grand Mercure Singapore Roxy, 50 East Coast Road, Roxy Square, Singapore 428769 on Thursday, 16 April 2015 at 3.00pm for the purpose of seeking the approval of the Shareholders for the dividend in specie (the "Proposed Distribution") of approximately (but not exceeding) 49.0% of the total issued share capital of Boustead Projects Limited ("BP") held by the Company to Shareholders on the basis of three (3) ordinary shares in the issued share capital of BP ("BP Distribution Shares") for every 10 ordinary shares in the issued share capital of the Company ("Shares") held by or on behalf of the Shareholders as at a books closure date to be determined by the directors of the Company ("Directors") and announced in due course ("Books Closure Date"), fractional entitlements to be disregarded; and

b) an introductory document dated 31 March 2015 ("Introductory Document") in relation to the proposed listing of BP on the Main Board of the SGX-ST by way of an introduction (the "Proposed Listing").

# 2. <u>Depositors</u>

In the case of Entitled Shareholders who are Depositors, entitlements to the BP Distribution Shares will be determined on the basis of the number of Shares standing to the credit of their respective Securities Accounts as at the Books Closure Date, fractional entitlements to be disregarded. Following the Books Closure Date, CDP will credit the Securities Accounts of each of the Entitled Shareholders being Depositors with the relevant number of BP Distribution Shares on the credit date to be announced by the Company in due course and CDP will send to each such Depositor a notification letter confirming the number of BP Distribution Shares that has been credited to his Securities Account.

## 3. <u>Scrip Shareholders</u>

In the case of Entitled Shareholders who hold Shares registered in their own names in the Register, entitlements to the BP Distribution Shares will be determined on the basis of their holdings of Shares in the Register as at the Books Closure Date, fractional entitlements to be disregarded. Following the Books Closure Date, the names of each such Entitled Shareholder as well as the relevant number of BP Distribution Shares to be distributed to such Entitled Shareholder will be entered into the register of members of BP and the share certificates in respect of the BP Distribution Shares will be sent to them by registered post to their address stated in the register of members of BP. Shareholders should note that they will not be able to trade in such BP Distribution Shares on the SGX-ST unless they have a Securities Account and make appropriate arrangements for the share certificates of the BP Distribution Shares to be deposited with CDP for crediting into the said Securities Account.

Shareholders holding their Shares in scrip form and who wish to have their BP Distribution Shares credited to their Securities Accounts pursuant to the Proposed Distribution or wish to trade the BP Distribution Shares on the SGX-ST on or immediately after the Proposed Distribution should deposit with CDP their existing share certificates in respect of their Shares, together with the duly executed instruments of transfer in favour of CDP, no later than 5.00pm on the date falling 12 Market Days prior to the Books Closure Date so as to enable CDP to credit their Securities Accounts with the relevant Shares by the Books Closure Date and thereafter for CDP to credit their Securities Accounts with the BP Distribution Shares.

#### 4. CPFIS Investors

In the case of Entitled Shareholders who have purchased Shares using their CPF funds, entitlements to the BP Distribution Shares will be determined based on the number of Shares standing to the credit of their respective investment accounts with the CPFIS Agent Banks as at the Books Closure Date. Following the Books Closure Date, CDP will credit the relevant Securities Accounts at the CPFIS Agent Banks with the relevant number of BP Distribution Shares on the credit date to be announced by the Company in due course. The respective CPFIS Agent Banks will notify the relevant Entitled Shareholders of the credit and such Entitled Shareholders are advised to consult their CPFIS Agent Banks as to the crediting

status of their BP Distribution Shares in their respective investment accounts as CDP will not be sending any notifications to such Entitled Shareholders.

### 5. Overseas Shareholders

You will be regarded as an Overseas Shareholder if your registered address on the Register or the Depository Register (as the case may be) is not in Singapore as at the Books Closure Date. Where the Directors are of the view that the distribution of the BP Shares to any Overseas Shareholders may infringe any relevant foreign law or may necessitate compliance with conditions or requirements which they, in their sole discretion, regard as onerous or impracticable by reason of costs, delay or otherwise, such Overseas Shareholders' BP Shares will not be distributed to such Overseas Shareholders.

Instead, the Overseas Shareholders' BP Shares shall be transferred to such person(s) as the Company may appoint who shall sell the Overseas Shareholders' BP Shares and thereafter distribute the aggregate amount of the net proceeds, after deducting for all dealings and other expenses in connection therewith, proportionately among such Overseas Shareholders according to their respective entitlements to the BP Distribution Shares as at the Books Closure Date in full satisfaction of their rights to the BP Distribution Shares which they would otherwise have become entitled to under the Proposed Distribution. Where such BP Distribution Shares are sold on the SGX-ST, they will be sold at such price or prices as the Company may, in its absolute discretion, decide and no Overseas Shareholder shall have any claim whatsoever against the Company, BP, CIMB, CDP, CPF Board or the Share Registrar and their respective officers in connection therewith.

Where the net proceeds to which any particular Overseas Shareholder is entitled is less than S\$10.00, such net proceeds shall be retained for the benefit of the Company, and no Overseas Shareholder shall have any claim whatsoever against the Company or any other person in connection therewith.

For practical reasons and in order to avoid any violation of the securities legislation applicable in countries other than Singapore, where Shareholders may have their registered addresses, the Introductory Document has not been and will not be despatched to any jurisdictions outside Singapore.

Overseas Shareholders who wish to change their registered address on the Register and the Depository Register (as the case may be) to provide an address in Singapore in substitution thereof prior to the Books Closure Date may do so by sending a notice in writing to the Share Registrar (in the case of a change of address on the Register) and CDP (in the case of a change of address on the Depository Register), respectively not later than three (3) Market Days prior to the Books Closure Date.

### 6. Odd-Lot Trading

For the purposes of trading on the Main Board of the SGX-ST, each board lot of BP Shares will comprise 100 BP Shares. An application has been made and the approval of the SGX-ST has been obtained for the establishment of a temporary counter for the trading of BP Shares in board lots of 10 BP Shares for a period of one (1) calendar month from the Listing Date (the "Concession Period") for the convenience of Entitled Shareholders who are Depositors. Shareholders should note that the establishment of this temporary odd-lot counter for the trading of

BP Shares is only to facilitate the trading and/or rounding of odd lots during the Concession Period. After the Concession Period, Entitled Shareholders who are Depositors holding odd lots of BP Shares can continue to trade in odd lots on the Unit Share Market of the SGX-ST which allows trading of securities in single shares.

### 7. Further Information

Please refer to the Circular and Introductory Document which are uploaded together with this announcement on the SGX-ST's website at <a href="http://www.sgx.com">http://www.sgx.com</a> for more information on the Proposed Distribution and the Proposed Listing.

Shareholders who do not receive the Circular and the Introductory Document within a week from the date of this announcement should contact the Company at 82 Ubi Avenue 4, #08-01 Edward Boustead Centre, Singapore 408832.

The Proposed Distribution and the Proposed Listing are subject to among other things, the relevant regulatory and other approvals being obtained and the same remaining in force, including without limitation the passing of an ordinary resolution by Shareholders to approve the Proposed Distribution at the EGM.

In the meantime, Shareholders are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the Shares and to refrain from taking any action in respect of their Shares which may be prejudicial to their interests until they or their advisers have considered the information in the Circular and the Introductory Document, as well as the recommendations set out in the Circular.

#### **About Boustead Singapore Limited**

Established in 1828, Boustead Singapore Limited is a progressive global Infrastructure-Related Engineering Services and Geo-Spatial Technology Group listed on the Singapore Exchange. Focusing on the engineering and development of key infrastructure supporting economic growth in the public and private sectors of emerging markets, our strong suite of Engineering Services comprises: Energy-Related Engineering and Real Estate Solutions.

Under our Geo-Spatial Technology arm, we provide professional services and exclusively distribute Esri geo-spatial technology – the world's leading geographic information systems – to major markets across Australia and South East Asia. Our location intelligence solutions are essential to effectively plan, deploy and manage key infrastructure and resources in countries.

With a vast global network stretching across Asia, Australia, Europe, Africa and the Americas, Boustead is ready to serve the world. To date, Boustead has undertaken infrastructure-related projects in 84 countries globally.

In 2008 and 2009, Boustead was recognised in the prestigious Forbes Asia 200 Best Under A Billion as one of the Asia Pacific's 200 best public-listed corporations under US\$1 billion in revenue. Boustead is also listed on the MSCI World Small Cap Index for Singapore and the FTSE ST Small Cap Index.

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