## **GREAT EASTERN HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) Company Registration Number: 199903008M



## **DEFERMENT OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Great Eastern Holdings Limited (**GEH**) refers to its notice of the upcoming Twenty-First Annual General Meeting (**AGM**) to be held on Wednesday, 15 April 2020 at 3.00 p.m.

In view of the notification issued by the Ministry of Health (**MOH**) on 24 March 2020, all events and mass gatherings must be deferred or cancelled, regardless of size with effect from 11.59 p.m. on 26 March 2020.

The Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA), Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) and Singapore Exchange Regulation (SGXR) have also issued a joint statement on 25 March 2020 stating that all listed issuers are expected to comply with MOH's safe distancing measures, and that legislative amendments are being proposed for the Parliament sitting in April 2020 in relation to the conduct of meetings which would allow issuers the flexibility to limit the number of participants in a physical meeting and for other participants to participate by virtual means, or hold meetings solely by virtual means (ie. without physical meetings).

Following these announcements, the Ministry of Law and the Ministry of Finance have on 31 March 2020 issued a press release on Covid-19 relief measures and the upcoming legislative provisions to provide legal certainty on holding of meetings, and ACRA, MAS and SGXR have on the same day issued a joint statement giving updated guidance on general meetings.

In view of the above, we regret that the AGM originally scheduled for 15 April 2020 will have to be **deferred** to a future date to be determined. Shareholders are advised **not** to go to the AGM venue on that day.

GEH will be making an application to SGXR for an extension of time until 30 June 2020 to convene its AGM for financial year ended 31 December 2019.

GEH will update shareholders on the new date for the AGM and the procedures for participation after the legislative amendments to facilitate the holding of the meeting have been passed, and the necessary arrangements have been put in place in order to adopt the recommended measures for conducting meetings (as appropriate) and implement the safe distancing measures imposed by MOH.

Please refer to further announcements by GEH for updates on the AGM.

## **DEFERMENT OF PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND**

In view of the deferment of the AGM, the record date and payment date for the final dividend for financial year ended 31 December 2019 which is subject to the approval of shareholders at the AGM, will accordingly be deferred. We will update shareholders of the new record and payment dates once the new date for the AGM has been determined.

By Order of the Board

Jennifer Wong Pakshong Company Secretary

3 April 2020