



EZRA HOLDINGS LIMITED

EZRA'S SUBSIDIARY CONTRACTS WITH KARMSUND FOR LARGE DEEP-WATER MULTI-FUNCTIONAL SUPPORT VESSEL

The Board of Directors of Ezra Holdings Limited ("Ezra") wishes to announce that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Lewek Shipping Pte Ltd, has awarded a contract to Karmsund Maritime Service AS for the design and building of one large 27,000 brake horsepower Multi-Functional Support Vessel ("MFSV" or "Vessel") at a contractual value of S\$162,353,200 (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Acquisition").

This MFSV is designed with unique features to meet and integrate the shipowner's requirements as well as the offshore industry's present and future demands. It is equipped for various offshore duties such as:

- Offshore construction;
- Sub-sea installation;
- ROV interventions;
- Installation-maintenance-repair;
- Deep water anchor handling of up to a 5000-metre depth;
- Towing;
- Supply runs;
- Standby and rescue; and
- Tanker assistance.

The Vessel's arrangement allows swift mobilisation between the various duties via integrated features such as an ROV hangar and foundations for a heave-compensated offshore crane and A-Frame.

Furthermore, this large MFSV vessel is built to meet the stringent requirements of the "Environmental Protection" and "Clean Design" notations and is suitable for North Sea operations, including those in Norway.

The Vessel is expected to be delivered in the first half of calendar year 2010. The consideration for the contract is payable in stages and will be satisfied through a combination of internal funds and bank borrowings.

The Acquisition is a Discloseable Transaction

The Acquisition constitutes a discloseable transaction within the meaning of Rule 1010 of the SGX Listing Manual as the aggregate value of the consideration involved amounts to approximately 8.83% of Ezra's market capitalisation of S\$1.84 billion as of 12 September 2007. The market capitalisation of Ezra is derived by multiplying the number of shares of Ezra in issue of 292,919,995 by the weighted average price transacted on the market day preceding the date of the contract were concluded.

There are no profits attributable to the contract as the vessel will be under construction. Hence, the base referred to in Rule 1006(b) of the SGX Listing Manual (ie. The net profits attributable to the assets acquired or disposed of, compared with the group's net profits) is not applicable.

Financial Effect of the Acquisition

(a) Net Tangible Assets ("NTA")

Assuming that the Acquisition had been effected on 31 August 2006 and based on the Ezra Group's latest audited consolidated financial statements for 31 August 2006, the pro forma effects on the consolidated NTA of the Ezra Group are as follows:-

	Before the Acquisition	After the Acquisition
NTA (S\$'000)	184,107	184,107
NTA per share (cents)	66.24	66.24

(b) Earnings

Assuming the Acquisition had been effected on 1 September 2005, there will be no impact on the Ezra Group's profit and loss for the financial year ended 31 August 2006 ("FY2006"). As the vessel will be under construction, there will not be any past performance to measure its profitability for FY2006.

	Before the Acquisition	After the Acquisition
Profit after tax and minority Interest for FY2006 (S\$'000)	61,736	61,736
Earnings per share (cents)	22.65	22.65

Diluted earnings per share (cents)	22.65	22.65
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Rationale for the Acquisition

The contract is reflective of Ezra's commitment to the expansion program for the fleet that it operates, which has been fuelling its growth.

Interests of Directors and Controlling Shareholders

None of the Directors or controlling shareholders of Ezra has any direct or indirect interest in the contract.

Documents Available for Inspection

The contract may be inspected at the registered office of Ezra at 15 Hoe Chiang Road, #15-01 Tower Fifteen, Singapore 089316 during normal business hours for a period of three (3) months from the date of this announcement.

By Order of the Board

Submitted by Lee Chye Tek Lionel, Managing Director on 17/09/2007 to the SGX