

## **SUMMONS TO ANSWER CHARGES AGAINST BOUSTEAD PROJECTS E&C PTE LTD FOR CONTRAVENTION OF AIR NAVIGATION ACT – FINES IMPOSED BY STATE COURTS**

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The Board of Directors of Boustead Projects Limited (the “Company” and together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”) refers to the Company’s announcement dated 4 August 2021 (“4 August 2021 Announcement”) relating to the summons received by the Company’s wholly-owned subsidiary, Boustead Projects E&C Pte Ltd (“BP E&C”), to answer certain charges under the Air Navigation Act, Chapter 6 of Singapore (“ANA”) and subsidiary legislation promulgated thereunder.

Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms and references used herein shall bear the meanings given to them in the 4 August 2021 Announcement.

At a hearing held at the State Courts of Singapore on 28 March 2022, BP E&C pleaded guilty to the following 10 charges under regulation 9(b) read with regulation 10(1) of the Air Navigation (101 – Unmanned Aircraft Operations) Regulations 2019 (“ANR”) read with section 4(3A)(a) of the ANA:

- 1) Four (4) charges relating to operating an unmanned aircraft at the Kranji Site in the course of business without a class 1 activity permit in 2020;
- 2) Four (4) charges relating to operating an unmanned aircraft at the Cleantech Site in the course of business without a class 1 activity permit in 2020; and
- 3) Two (2) charges relating to the failure to operate an unmanned aircraft in the course of business at the Cleantech Site in 2020 in accordance with the class 1 activity permit granted to BP E&C.

The above charges are related to the use of unmanned drones by BP E&C at two of its construction sites as part of its efforts to leverage on the use of technology to increase the efficiency and productivity of its operations, and to mitigate the disruptions caused by the pandemic.

Under regulation 9(b) of the ANR, BP E&C was required to have a class 1 activity permit which (among other things) specified the dates/timings on which the unmanned drone could be operated. In relation to the eight (8) charges referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 above, while BP E&C did apply for and obtain the requisite class 1 activity permits for certain periods at the Kranji Site and Cleantech Site, the unmanned aircrafts were operated on specific dates/timings that were not covered under the said permits. In relation to the two (2) charges referred to in paragraph 3 above, BP E&C had obtained the requisite class 1 activity permit but failed to comply with one of the conditions therein to seek clearance prior to the commencement and at the completion of each flight.

BP E&C was imposed with fines of a total amount of S\$94,000 (“Fines”) for the above 10 charges by the State Courts, with the remaining 69 charges mentioned in the 4 August 2021 Announcement taken into consideration for the purposes of sentencing.

The Company has since reviewed and implemented a Standard Operating Procedure in respect of the permit applications and dissemination, with a view to ensuring that such contraventions will not occur in the future.

-- END OF COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT --

## About Boustead Projects Limited

Established in 1996 and listed on the SGX Mainboard, Boustead Projects Limited (SGX:AVM) is a leading provider of innovative eco-sustainable real estate solutions with a regional presence across Singapore, China, Malaysia and Vietnam. Our core businesses are uniquely integrated to support the business park and industrial real estate ecosystem, comprising:

- Turnkey engineering, full-fledged integrated digital delivery (“IDD”), and project and construction management encompassing design-and-build;
- Real estate development, asset and leasing management; and
- Real estate fund management including being the sponsor and manager of Boustead Industrial Fund, a scalable private real estate trust platform for business park, logistics and industrial properties, and joint owner of Echo Base-BP Capital Pte Ltd, an Asia-centric fund management and services platform focused on smart buildings and integrated developments.

To date, we have constructed and/or developed more than 3,000,000 square metres of real estate for clients including Fortune 500, S&P 500 and Euronext 100 corporations, across diverse sectors like aerospace, business park, food, healthcare and pharmaceutical, high-tech manufacturing, logistics, research & development, technology and waste management, among others. Under the Boustead Development Partnership with a reputable Middle East sovereign wealth fund, we have developed or redeveloped more than half a million square metres of real estate in Singapore including landmark developments like ALICE@Mediapolis and GSK Asia House.

Our in-house capabilities are backed by core engineering expertise, the progressive adoption of transformative methodologies including full-fledged IDD and Industry 4.0 technologies and augmented by strategic partnerships which enable the co-creation of smart, eco-sustainable and future-ready developments. Our wholly-owned Engineering & Construction subsidiary in Singapore, Boustead Projects E&C Pte Ltd (“BP E&C”) is the eco-sustainability leader in pioneering Green Mark Platinum-rated new private sector industrial developments under the Building & Construction Authority (“BCA”) Green Mark Certification Scheme and a national champion of best practices for quality, environmental and workplace safety and health (“WSH”) management. BP E&C’s related achievements include being the first SkillsFuture Queen Bee for the built environment sector, quality leader on the BCA CONQUAS all-time top 100 industrial projects list, one of only eight bizSAFE Mentors and also bizSAFE Star, receiving numerous awards for exemplary WSH performance.

We were awarded the Corporate Excellence & Resilience Award at the Singapore Corporate Awards 2021 Special Edition, a recognition of our best practices in corporate governance and leadership, innovation and resilience during the COVID-19 pandemic – among only 26 SGX-listed corporations to be honoured across all market capitalisation categories and only nine in the Small Cap Category. We were also awarded the Singapore Corporate Governance Award in the Newly Listed Category at the Securities Investors Association (Singapore) Investors’ Choice Awards 2017 and are one of only 92 SGX-listed corporations on the SGX Fast Track Programme – which aims to affirm listed issuers that have been publicly recognised for high corporate governance standards and for maintaining a good compliance track record – with prioritised clearance for their corporate action submissions. We are also listed on the MSCI World Micro Cap Index and FTSE ST Fledgling Index.

Boustead Projects is a 53%-owned subsidiary of Boustead Singapore Limited (SGX:F9D), a progressive global infrastructure-related engineering and technology group which is separately listed on the SGX Mainboard.

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