

OM HOLDINGS LIMITED

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Dear Sir/Madam

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please find attached the Chairman's Address to be delivered at the Annual General Meeting of OM Holdings Limited, to be held today 30 May 2008 at the Grand Mecure Roxy Hotel, Roxy Square, 50 East Coast Road, Singapore at 10am

Yours faithfully
OM HOLDINGS LIMITED

Heng Siow Kwee/Julie Wolseley
Company Secretary

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BACKGROUND PROFILE OF OM HOLDINGS LIMITED

OMH listed on the ASX in March 1998 and has its foundations in metals trading – incorporating the sourcing and distribution of manganese ore products and subsequently in processing ores into ferro-manganese intermediate products. The OMH Group now operates commercial mining operations – leading to a fully integrated operation covering Australia, China and Singapore.

Through its wholly owned subsidiary, OM (Manganese) Ltd, OMH controls 100% of the Bootu Creek Manganese Mine (“Bootu Creek”) located 110 km north of Tennant Creek in the Northern Territory.

Bootu Creek has the capacity to produce 600,000 to 650,000 tonnes of manganese product annually. Bootu Creek has further exploration potential given that its tenement holdings extend over 2,872 km².

Bootu Creek’s manganese product is exclusively marketed by the OMH Group’s own trading division with a proportion of the product consumed by the OMH Group’s wholly-owned Qinzhou smelter located in south west China.

Through its Singapore based commodity trading activities, OMH has established itself as a significant manganese supplier to the Chinese market. Product from Bootu Creek has strengthened OMH’s position in this market.

OMH also holds a 11% shareholding in Territory Resources Ltd, a company presently operating the Frances Creek iron ore project in the Northern Territory.

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CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

DELIVERED AT THE OM HOLDINGS LIMITED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 30 MAY 2008

The 2007 financial year was undoubtedly the most significant in the OM Holdings Limited's ten year history, positioning your Company to participate in the rapid growth of the global manganese market. The Company throughout 2007 demonstrated an outstanding turnaround in both operating and financial performance across all business units. The significant milestones achieved during the year were reflected in a substantial increase in shareholder value whereby your Company's share price increased during 2007 from a low of A\$2.13. The share price has continued to increase into 2008 whereby at the time of writing the Company had a market capitalisation exceeding A\$ 1 billion.

COMMODITY MARKETS

2007 saw the continuation of strength in world wide commodity markets. Fundamental demand for manganese remains significantly ahead of supply and this bodes well for continued strong manganese prices into 2008 and possibly beyond. Your Company is now more than ever well positioned to take advantage of opportunities that arise as a result of such strength in the markets.

OPERATIONS

All of your Company's business units performed exceptionally well during the year with operational, financial and strategic records achieved on a regular and consistent basis. Most significant, however has been the operational turnaround of the Bootu Creek Manganese Mine, located in the Northern Territory of Australia. Record production of 516,448 tonnes grading 42.2% Mn was achieved for the year. However the completion of the capital rectification program in the last quarter of 2007 on time and on budget has enabled sustainable production since the second half of 2007 and into the first quarter of 2008 to be maintained at annualised rates of between 600,000 to 700,000 tonnes. Production for March 2008 quarter was attained based upon annualised production rates exceeding 700,000 tonnes.

While benefiting from its exposure to the strongly growing Chinese market during the year, the Company continued to grow its successful trading operations and its international trading customer base. The trading operations were pivotal throughout 2007 particularly in relation to supplementing the cash flow requirements whilst the Bootu Creek Manganese Mine was achieving its design capacity production rates.

The Company's Qinzhou smelter facility in China also derived record profitability during 2007 with its dedicated alloy production strategy.

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EXPLORATION

At our Bootu Creek Manganese Mine, the exploration efforts were successful with the Company's Mineral Resources increasing to 17.8 million tonnes (including Ore Reserves of 10.3 million tonnes) and a life of mine of over 8 years at a production rate of 700,000 tonnes per annum. An extensive exploration program for 2008 has commenced dedicated to further extending the mine life, examining opportunities to expand production beyond 700,000 tonnes per annum and re-inforcing the operations capability as a world class and long life asset.

PROPOSED SECONDARY LISTING ON THE MAIN BOARD OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE OF HONG KONG

The Company's strong operational and financial base and focused growth strategy has continued to attract new investors to the Company. It is expected that this will be further enhanced by the Company's proposed secondary listing on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong, which is presently being actively pursued. The process for seeking approvals is ongoing and it is expected to be completed by mid July 2008. It is anticipated that this secondary listing will considerably broaden the Company's shareholder base, facilitate further access to international capital markets and bring significant rewards to all Shareholders in the form of increased buying interest in the Company's shares.

SUCCESSION PLANNING

I am pleased to advise that we have successfully secured the services of Mr Peter Toth who will join the company as Joint CEO effective 3 September 2008. Mr Toth is a senior internationally recognised executive with extensive experience in the resources industry. Mr Toth will be joining OMH from BHP Billiton where he was Marketing Director for Carbon Steel Materials.

I am also pleased to advise that Mr Ong Beng Chong will be joining the company as Chief Financial Officer with effect from 1 August 2008. Mr Ong possesses more than 20 years of professional experience with specialised knowledge of finance and accounting principles and practice.

DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

I would like to thank my fellow Directors for their regular attendance at Directors and Board Committee meetings, their constructive debate and active participation in all Board matters.

A special word of gratitude to our Chief Executive Mr. Low Ngee Tong and our Executive and Senior Management teams at all locations for their commitment and focus during 2007 and continuing into 2008.

SHAREHOLDERS

Finally I would like to thank our Shareholders for their support during the year, particularly those that participated in the entitlements issue which provided the funding that saw the start of OMH's revival.

FUTURE

The Company is optimising its opportunities in the current environment and leveraging off the strong cash generation of its fully integrated manganese businesses to invest aggressively in its future growth and continued development as a world class resources group specialising in the carbon steel materials sector.



Your Company's vision is to be a unique high grade supplier of note to the carbon steel and stainless steel industries. Our people are our pride and we will continue to pursue excellence in all our international operations and in particular the areas of health, safety and the environment.

Our focus into 2008 will be to:

- Accelerate exploration on our significant tenement portfolio which exceeds 2,872 km² in and around the Bootu Creek Manganese Mine;
- Organically grow the Bootu Creek Manganese Mine where existing infrastructure has the capacity to deliver over 700,000 tonnes of saleable manganese product per annum;
- Study development and standalone production opportunities around the highly prospective Renner Springs tenements;
- Conclude a feasibility study on establishing a sinter ore plant at the Company's existing Qinzhou smelter facility in China; and
- Pursue acquisition and development opportunities already identified or that may be identified during the normal course of business.

Prospects for 2008 are indeed looking very positive and I am excited and looking forward to a rewarding year for our Shareholders. With an excellent international asset base, a clear global vision for growth and a strong and disciplined focus I have no doubt that the outlook for the Company will continue to remain exceptionally strong for the year ahead.

J H R Raubenheimer
Non-Executive Chairman

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