

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) (Company Registration No. 200410181W)

# ANNOUNCEMENT RELATING TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON 27 OCTOBER 2021

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Board of Directors ("Board") of Union Steel Holdings Limited ("Company") refers to:

- a) the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act 2020 (the "**Act**") passed by Parliament on 7 April 2020 which enables the Minister for Law by order to prescribe alternative arrangements for listed companies in Singapore to, inter alia, conduct general meetings, either wholly or partly, by electronic communication, video conferencing, tele-conferencing or other electronic means;
- b) the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Alternative Arrangements for Meetings for Companies, Variable Capital Companies, Business Trusts, Unit Trusts and Debenture Holders) Order 2020 (the "**Order**") which was gazetted on 13 April 2020 and is deemed to have come into operation on 27 March 2020, and which sets out the alternative arrangements in respect of, *inter alia*, general meetings of companies; and
- c) The Order has been extended beyond 30 June 2021 and amendments to the Temporary Measures Act come into force on 29 September 2020. A joint statement was also issued on 13 April 2020, and subsequently updated on 27 April 2020, 1 October 2020 and 9 April 2021, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore, the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority and the Singapore Exchange Regulation to provide guidance on the conduct of general meetings during the period when elevated safe distancing measures are in place. In view of these development, general meetings can be held via electronic means, and are encouraged to do so, until it is revoked or amended by the Ministry of Law. This will help keep physical interactions and COVID-19 transmission risks to a minimum, which remain important in the long term, even as safe distancing regulations are gradually and cautiously relaxed.

## 2. DATE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Board wishes to inform shareholders that the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") will be held by way of electronic means on 27 October 2021 at 10.00 a.m. The Company has today issued the following documents in connection with the AGM:

- (a) Annual Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2021 ("FY2021 AR");
- (b) the Notice of the AGM dated 12 October 2021 ("Notice of AGM"); and
- (c) the proxy form.

#### 3. NO DESPATCH OF PRINTED COPIES OF DOCUMENTS

In line with the provisions under the Alternative Arrangements Order, no printed copies of the Notice of AGM and the proxy form will be despatched to shareholders.

An electronic copy of each of the Notice of AGM and the proxy form has been made available on:

- (i) the home page of the Company's corporate website https://www.unionsteel.com.sg/ ("USHL Corporate Website");
- (ii) the website set up for the purposes of the AGM, at the following URL: <a href="https://conveneagm.com/sg/unionsteel">https://conveneagm.com/sg/unionsteel</a> ("USHL AGM Website"); and
- (iii) SGXNet.

The Company will not be despatching printed copies of the FY2021 AR. An electronic copy of the FY2021 AR has been made available on the USHL Corporate Website, the USHL AGM Website and SGXNet.

## 4. ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR AGM

(a) No physical attendance

Pursuant to the Alternative Arrangements Order, all shareholders will not be allowed to attend the AGM in person.

Alternative arrangements are instead put in place to allow all shareholders to participate in the AGM by:

- (i) watching or listening to the AGM proceedings via a "live" webcast. Shareholders who wish to participate as such will have to preregister in the manner outlined in paragraph 4(b) below;
- (ii) submitting questions ahead of the AGM. Please refer to paragraph 4(c) below for further details;
- (iii) voting by proxy at the AGM. Please refer to paragraph 4(d) below for further detail; and
- (iv) Non-SRS holders whose shares are registered under Depository Agents ("**DAs**") **must** contact their respective DAs to indicate their interest in order for their respective DAs to make the necessary arrangements for them to participate in the Live Webcast of the AGM proceedings.

## (b) <u>"Live" webcast</u>

The AGM proceedings will be conducted via electronic means. Shareholders will be able to watch or listen to the proceedings via a "live" webcast on their mobile phones, tablets or computers.

In order to do the above, shareholders will have to follow these steps:

- (i) Shareholders (including those who hold their shares through relevant intermediaries¹) who wish to watch or listen to the "live" webcast must pre-register on the USHL AGM Website (URL: <a href="https://conveneagm.com/sg/unionsteel">https://conveneagm.com/sg/unionsteel</a>), to create an account, no later than 10.00 a.m. on 25 October 2021 ("Registration Deadline").
  - Following authentication of a shareholder's status, such shareholder will receive an email on their authentication status and will be able to access the "live" webcast of the AGM proceedings using the account created.
- (ii) Shareholders who have pre-registered by the Registration Deadline but do not receive the aforementioned email by 12.00 p.m. on 26 October 2021 should contact the Company at the following email address: <a href="mailto:support@conveneagm.com">support@conveneagm.com</a>, with the following details included: (1) the full name of the shareholder; and (2) his/her/its identification/registration number.

Shareholders are reminded that the AGM proceedings are private. Instructions on access to the "live" webcast of the AGM proceedings should therefore not be shared with anyone who is not a shareholder of the Company or otherwise not authorised to attend the AGM. Recording of the "live" webcast in whatever form is also strictly prohibited.

For optimal user experience, it is recommended that shareholders use the following browser versions when accessing the USHL AGM Website as well as the "live" webcast of the AGM proceedings:

- Mozilla Firefox 69 and above; or
- Safari 12.1.2 and above; or
- Google Chrome 74 and above; or
- Microsoft Edge 79 and above.

#### (c) <u>Submission of questions</u>

Shareholders may also submit questions related to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM or the Company's businesses and operations.

All questions must be submitted no later than 10.00 a.m. on 25 October 2021 ("Submission Deadline") via any one of the following means:

- (i) via the USHL AGM Website; or
- (ii) in physical copy by depositing the same at the Company's registered office at 33 Pioneer Road North, Singapore 628474; or
- (iii) by email to corporate@unionsteel.com.sg.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A relevant intermediary is:

<sup>(</sup>a) a banking corporation licensed under the Banking Act (Chapter 19) of Singapore or a wholly-owned subsidiary of such a banking corporation, whose business includes the provision of nominee services and who holds shares in that capacity;

<sup>(</sup>b) a person holding a capital markets services licence to provide custodial services for securities under the Securities and Futures Act (Chapter 289) of Singapore and who holds shares in that capacity; or

<sup>(</sup>c) the Central Provident Fund Board ("CPF Board") established by the Central Provident Fund Act (Chapter 36) of Singapore, in respect of shares purchased under the subsidiary legislation made under that Act providing for the making of investments from the contributions and interest standing to the credit of members of the Central Provident Fund, if the CPF Board holds those shares in the capacity of an intermediary pursuant to or in accordance with that subsidiary legislation.

If the questions are deposited in physical copy at the Company's registered office or sent via email, and in either case not accompanied by the completed and executed proxy form, the following details must be included with the submitted questions: (1) the full name of the shareholder; and (2) his/her/its identification/registration number for verification purposes, failing which the submission will be treated as invalid.

The Company will endeavor to address substantial and relevant questions relating to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM or the Company's businesses and operations.

Please note that shareholders will not be able to ask questions at the AGM and accordingly, it is important for shareholders to submit their questions by the Submission Deadline.

The Company will publish the minutes of the AGM on SGXNET and the Company's website within one month after the date of AGM with substantial and relevant comments or queries from shareholders relating to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM, and responses from the Board of Directors and management

#### (d) <u>Voting by proxy</u>

Shareholders will not be able to vote online at the AGM. Instead, if shareholders (whether individuals or corporates) wish to exercise their votes, they must submit a proxy form to appoint the chairman of the AGM ("AGM Chairman") to vote on their behalf.

Shareholders (whether individuals or corporates) appointing the AGM Chairman as proxy must give specific instructions as to his/her/its manner of voting, or abstentions from voting, in the proxy form, failing which the appointment and votes will be treated as invalid.

The proxy form must be submitted to the Company no later than 10.00 a.m. on 25 October 2021 (being 48 hours before the time appointed for the AGM) through any one of the following means:

- (i) in the electronic format accessible on the USHL AGM Website;
- (ii) if submitted by post, be lodged at the office of the Company's registered office at 33 Pioneer Road North, Singapore 628474; or
- (iii) if submitted electronically, be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:corporate@unionsteel.com.sg">corporate@unionsteel.com.sg</a>,

Shareholders who hold their shares through relevant intermediaries<sup>1</sup> and who wish to exercise their votes by appointing the AGM Chairman as proxy should approach their respective relevant intermediaries (including their respective CPF Agent Banks or SRS Approved Banks) to submit their voting instructions at least seven (7) working days prior to the date of the AGM.

As the COVID-19 situation is constantly evolving, the Company has to implement measures to take into account the requirements, guidelines and recommendations of regulatory bodies and government agencies from time to time. Accordingly, the Company may be required to change its AGM arrangements at short notice. Shareholders are advised to closely monitor announcements made by the Company on SGXNET.

# By Order of the Board

Ang Yu Seng Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer 11 October 2021